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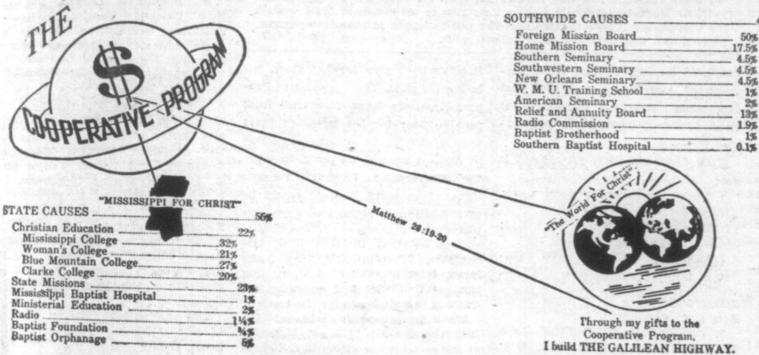
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The Cooperative Program Is The Source Of Supply For Builders Of The Galilean Highway



A. L. GATEWOOD TO SPEAK ON MISS. RADIO HOUR

Rev. A. L. Gatewood, pastor of First Church, Itta Bena, will be the speaker on the Mississippi Radio Hour, Sunday afternoon, June 5, bringing the third of three consecutive messages. The Rev. Mr. Gatewood will be heard over the following sta-

WSLI, Jackson; WCBI, Columbus; WMOX, Meridian; WROB, West Point; WELO, Tupelo; WROX, Clarksdale; WLAU, Laurel; WLOX, Biloxi; WAPF, McComb; WJMB, Brookhaven, WNAG, Grenada.

-BR **Berliners Crowd Churches** As Blockade Is Lifted

BERLIN-(RNS)-Jubilant Berliners went to church in large numbers to celebrate VB Day-Victory over Berlin Day-marking the end of the nearly year-long Soviet block-

Fifty-two churches reported that the proclamation of a city-wide holiday had brought attendances about as large as those on Sunday. Many pastors said collections were as much as 20 per cent higher than those at Sunday services.

Only one incident marred the rejoicing among Berlin's church-goers. When two convoys of Berlin-bound trucks, loaded with relief parcels contributed by American religious and

charitable organizations, arrived at the British-Soviet sonal border 30 minutes after the blockade had been officially lifted, they were ordered

The Baptist Cooperative Program

By DR. DUKE K. McCALL Executive Secretary,

SB Executive Committee

The Cooperative Program is the sane, sensible, and scriptural plan by which every Southern Baptist is enabled to have a part in all the activities commanded by Christ in the Great Commission. It is the only way

an individual Christian can do everything involved in the spread of the gospel throughout the world. The tithes and offerings channeled through the Cooperative Program feed orphans, help heal the sick, care for the aged and afflicted, publish the glad tidings by printed page and word of mouth, support schools and (Continued on Page Six)

Nine To Graduate At Woman's College Leavell and Parrish Are Speakers



DR. LEAVELL

Mississippi Woman's College Commencement exercises will be held Sunday, June 5, through Monday night, June 6. This is to be the first graduating class since the spring of



DR. PARRISH

1940, and marks another historic milstone in the life of the institution. Dr. J. W. Parrish, Pastor, First Church, Laurel, and trustee of Missis-(Continued on Page Two)

By WILLIAM P. DAVIS,

Assistant Executive Secretary

At left is an illustration of how Mississippi Baptists furnish the materials necessary for the construction of the Highway of Redemption into all the world, according to the plans of Jesus, as set forth by Him on a mountain in Galilee, as told by Matthew in Chapter 28, verses 16 through

Standing on the brow of the mountain, the Strange Galilean, fresh from Calvary and the grave, gave eleven men His latest blue-print of the Galilean Highway by saying, "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you all the way, even unto the end of the world. Amen." Matthew 28:18-20. Said He to them, "From here on you are the builders. This is your blue-print. You see the Galilean Highway must be pushed into every land. Never stop building. Builders are to be secured as I have enlisted you. You tell others the story of redemption, and the others will pass it on to others. The task is endless."

Those eleven mused and burned within their souls, wondering: "Lord, how can it be done? Think of all the jungle country-jungles of humanity. Do you mean the Highway of Redemption must pass through those places?"

While they thus reasoned and burned the Saviour spoke, "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

Ah! That is how. There is to be a second Chief Builder. He will draw additional blue-prints and chart the way. "He will guide you into all the Truth."

"But," said Jesus, "Ye shall receive power: ye shall go." Your efforts are to be cooperative. Together ye shall go: together ye shall build.

The Cooperative Program is the latest source of supply for the builders of the Galilean Highway. It is not only the latest source; it is scriptural in every detail. Christ, God, the Holy Spirit and the Holy Bible are at the heart of it. The Cooperative Program is an instrument of the Holy

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THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM IS

(Continued from Page One) Spirit placed in the hands and hearts of Southern Baptists for the furtherance of the Gospel. God is in it. It is majestic in significance. Its primary purpose is to keep hosts in the white harvest fields winning the lost to Christ.

The First Responsibility

The first responsibility of the builders was bringing others to Christ. Everywhere they would go they should teach, preach and baptize in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. They were to win builders by telling them about the Great Builder, who had been a soul winner of the rarest sort. His soul winning efforts are numberless. Woman of Samaria (John 4:7-42); the paralytic (Mark 5:19); Matthew (Mark 2:14); Zacchaeus (Luke 19:2-9); and hundreds of others.

The Cooperative Program is the greatest soul winning method ever devised by man. It is the life-line of evangelism. Surely all Baptists agree that soul winning springs from every page of the Bible. "And he brought him to Jesus" because I gave him support through the Cooperative Program.

But soul winning is only one part of the blue-print. Jesus knew that many builders would become satisfied to keep the way of redemption as a one-way drive, with "private" signs along the way. How selfish Christians can be! Well, because of selfishness, racial prejudice, nationalism, bigotry of every sort and other pests in the jungles of mankind, Jesus said, with great emphasis-

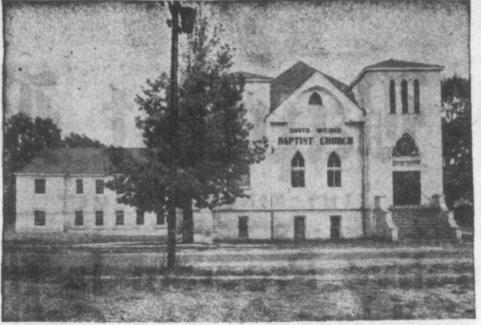
"Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

"Ye shall be witnesses unto me-?" Where? In your colleges, seminaries, and schools. Here other builders are trained. Through the Cooperative Program, I help support the colleges, schools, and seminaries of Southern Baptists.

The Cooperative Program Ministry But, through the Cooperative Program, I bear witness unto Christ in the ministry of healing and helping those who are helpless victims of jungle humanity. My Cooperative Program gift takes me into the hospital to witness unto the healing power of the Great Physician.

My Cooperative Program gift enables me to reach into the jungle country and rescue helpless orphans. Yes, my gift to the Cooperative Program goes to the Orphanage.

"Ye shall be witnesses unto me-?" Where? In all the world; in every area of life. This is a call for wit- Galatians 2:9. nesses. Before Southern Baptists can do evangelistic work in foreign lands, carry forward the cause of Christ in the home land, heal the sick and provide shelter and proper instruction for the homeless there must be worker training. Our colleges and seminaries are the great training centers for our workers. The Cooperative Program is our strongest arm of support for these institutions. As this is being written, I see that the Cooperative Program since the beginning of the year, has brought to our colleges an income of more than \$74,000, or the income from endowment of more than \$2,000,000 invested at 3 per cent. The 1949 Cooperative Program receipts of our colleges will



Shown above is a picture of the South McComb Church which is one of the many churches receiving building aid from the Cooperative Program this year. As Mississippi Baptists enlarge their gifts to the causes of Chrst through the Cooperative Program, more churches can be helped in building programs, pastoral aid, and other phases of mission work,

represent an income from an endowment of more than \$5,000,000. Let Mississippi Baptists magnify the cause of Christ through the Cooperative Program.

THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM is

1. SOUL WINNING-FIRST, LAST, ALWAYS-John 1:35-37; John 1:41-42: John 4:7-42; Mark 2:5; Mark 5:19; Mark 2:14; Luke 19:2-9; Mark 1:17.

2. MISSIONS (HOME, STATE, FOR-EIGN)-ALL PLACES, ALL PEOPLE. Luke 10:1-2; Acts 1:8; Matthew 28:19; James 1:27; Mark 16:15; Luke 24:47; Acts 1:20; Acts 1:8.

3. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION-John 3:2; Matthew 5:2; 7:29; 9:35; 11:1; 13:54; Acts 42, 18; 5:21, 25, 28, 42; 11:26; 15:35; 18:11; 25:20; 28:31; 2 Timothy 2:15; Acts 17:30.

4. HEALING THE SICK-John 9:20; Mark 5:41-42; Luke 7:12-15; John 11:39-44; Matthew 8; Mark 2; Acts 3:1-10; Acts 9:32-41; Acts 14:8-10; Acts 19:11-12; Acts 28;8-9; Acts 20:9-

5. THE PURE RELIGION OF THE NEW TESTAMENT (James 1:27).

THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM springs from the Bible:

1. IT IS THE WORK OF A SPIRIT-UAL DEMOCRACY—carried on by (1) CHURCHES—Acts 8:4-5, 14, 26; 9:32; 11:19-21; 13:1-4; Romans 15:27; 1 Corinthians 16:1 (churches of Galatia): 2 Corinthians 8:1-2; Galatians 1:2: Thessalonians 1:1; 2 Thessalonians 1:1; Revelation 2 and 3.

(2) PASTORS—Acts 14; 23; Titus 1:5-9; 1 Timothy 3:1-7.

(3) ASSOCIATIONS—Galatians 2:1;

(4) BOARDS 8:19, 22, 23.

(5) SECRETARIES—Acts 14:14; Galatians 2:9: Revelation 1:9.

(6) MISSIONARIES-Luke 10:1-3; Acts 1:8; 8:1-40; Matthew 28:19-20;

THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM is Scriptural. KEEP MISSISSIPPI BAP-TISTS TREKKING FOR CHRIST THROUGH THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM. This is included in the great command of our Lord. The Cooperative Program is safe, sane, Scriptural and economical. Through it we do greater good than any other plan ever used.

A 10 Year Record For the past ten years Mississippi

Baptists have gone forward at an unbelievable pace. The Cooperative Program receipts have increased from year to year for the past ten years from \$103,920,72 in 1939 to \$726,190.28 in 1948, or around 500 per cent. Were the Cooperative Program receipts larger, Mississippi Baptists would be in a position to make stronger every phase of our great work. When Mississippi Baptists increase their Cooperative Program gifts, they make larger their opportunities of winning the lost to Christ and enlisting and training mighty hosts for the Lord.

Mississippi Baptists said, at the 1948 Convention: "We set \$1,000,000 as our goal for our giving to the cause of Christ through the Cooperative Program in 1949." That goal is in sight, but it will not become a reality by wishful thinking—there must be giving, giving according to the New Testament standard. Mississippi Baptists are giving; they will give.

To bring us nearer our goal, the Cooperative Program Committee composed of Charles Treadway, L. G. Sansing, John W. Landrum, R. C. Holcomb, Marion Perry, T. R. Coulter, and R. R. Brigance, unanimously voted to request our churches to designate June 26, or a Sunday most appropriate for a given church, as Special Cooperative Program Sunday. On that day all our churches will have an opportunity to give special emphasis to the Cooperative Program and make it possible for every person to make an offering. Special envelopes have been mailed to every pastor in the State. Any pastor failing to receive envelopes are requested to write call William P. Davis, Box 530, Baptist Building, Jackson, Mississippi, ordering number needed.

Our Goals-

Every Baptist a Soul-Winner. Every Baptist A Tither.

Every Baptist Supporting The Cause of Christ Through The Cooperative Program.

A Million Dollars for the Cause of Christ through the Cooperative Program in 1949.

God will bless us as we use the Cooperative Program to push the Galilean Highway into the jungles of mankind.

NINE TO GRADUATE

(Continued from Page One) sippi Woman's College, will preach the baccalaureate sermon Sunday even ing, June 5 at 8 o'clock. The bacca, laureate services will be held in the college auditorium in Tatum Court.

Dr. J. W. Parrish graduated from Stetson University, Deland, Florida taking his post graduate work at the Southern Baptist Theological Semi. nary with the degree of Master of Theology. He was awarded an honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity, last spring by Mississippi College.

Dr. Parrish has had an outstanding pastorate at the First Baptist Church. Laurel, and was recognized as the First Citizen of Laurel, 1948, for outstanding services rendered to the community.

Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, President, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, will deliver the baccalaureate address on Monday evening June 6 at 8 o'clock.

Dr. Leavell is a native Mississippian of Oxford, receiving his A. B. and M. A. degrees from the University of Mississippi, the Master of Theology and Doctor of Theology degrees from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and honorary degrees of D. D. from Mercer University, and L. L. D. from John B. Stetson Uni versity. He married Miss Lillian Forbes Yarborough June 26, 1923, whose father was pastor of the First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg. Mrs. Lillian Forbes Yarborough Leavell is s graduate of the Mississippi Woman's

The graduating class is composed of the following members: Ralph Davis, Hattiesburg; Betty Freeman, Hattiesburg; Martha Hamilton, Hattiesburg; Alyne McDonald, Hattiesburg: Nan McMurphy, Lucedale, Geraldine Parish, Prentiss; Elsit Parker, Jackson; Betty Pope, Brook haven; Louise Waddell, Conowings, Maryland.

117 Enrolled In VBS At Hickory Church

The Hickory Church has completed a 10-day Vacation Bible School, with an average attendance of 117. Bot Methodist and Baptist leaders works in the school and the enrollment w from both churches. The Hickory Church bus provided transportation

A picnic was enjoyed by the chidren on the last day of the school.

A Commencement program W given on the closing night, which was a credit to both the workers and the children.

Mrs. J. B. Fanning was principal of the Bible School and Rev. Lewis Curtiss is the pastor.

BR-REV. L. C. HOLCOMB, MISSISSI pian, and brother of Dr. W. L. Holcom began his seventh year as pastor of the Ardmore Church, Memphis, on May During the past six years the member ship has increased from 327 to 600 M the Sunday School enrollment from 1 to 478. There have been 415 addition 216 by baptism. During a recent reviva by the pastor there were 31 addition 26 by letter. A new building is und construction which will have a seath capacity of 500. The present auditoria will be used for classrooms.

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Blue Mountain College And The Cooperative Program By FRANK E. SHILTON

The Cooperative Program, operated according to the intention of Southern Baptists when they adopted it, in our opinion, is the best method of collecting and distributing Baptist funds for the furthering of all the interests of Southern Baptists in their efforts to advance the cause of Christ. Dr. Wilfred C. Tyler, head of the Bible Department of Blue Mountain College, emphasized how Blue Mountain feels about the Cooperative Program in the following answer he gave to a recent inquiry, "What is Christian education at Blue Mountain College?" The answer he gave is this: "It is training young women for Christian living and homemaking. It is holding up Christ in and out of the classroom, through loyalty to the Book of Books, fellowship and service in the local church and promotion of all causes of the denomination. It is emphasizing diligently the fruits of the Spirit, not only in the Bible classes, but also in correlation with academic courses and extracurricular activities. It is the development of the ability, initiative, industry, personality, and the will-to-do of the students, molded by Christengendered constraints and attitudes which operate for Christ and His Kingdom. It is living and learning, 'looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith.' In summary, Christian education at Blue Mountain College is 'Christ in education.'"

Blue Mountain's first objective is to train women for Christian living and homemaking. More than 80 per cent of its graduates marry. Its alumnae are engaged in some sixty-eight different vocations and professions in most of the states and in several foreign countries, leavening their spheres of influence with Christian ideals.

Quite a number of recent Blue

Mountain graduates are listed among full-time church educational directors, church music directors, and church secretaries. Another is principal of the W. M. U. Training School in Chile. Last summer Blue Mountain furnished twelve students to the Home Mission Board for field work. Eight students served as counselors in G. A. and Y. W. A. camps and four as counselors in a Y. W. C. A. camp. Others served in youth revivals, schools of music and Vacation Bible Schools. Nine were on the staff at Ridgecrest. Scores of others served in their respective local church and Sunday School organizations. Blue Mountain College for a number of years had more alumnae in the W. M. U. (Training School at Louisville was principal of than any other college or university in the United States. This year several Blue Mountain College alumnae are enrolled in each of our three seminaries—the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, the W. M. U. Training School and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Pastors and school men testify to the contributions of graduates of Blue Mountain College to church, civic and educational life.

When we give through the Cooperative Program, whether it is a dollar or ten dollars per week, a part of our gift is automatically earmarked for all phases of Southern Baptists' benevolent, educational and missionary



Shown above are the five Mississippians who were awarded honorary doctors degrees at Mississippi College Commencement exercises on May 30. Left to right, they are: E. C. Williams of Jackson, J. R. Hitt of Clinton, and T. N. Touchstone of Jackson all given Doctor of Laws degrees; Dr. D. M. Nelson, president of Mississippi College stands next and then come the two Baptist pastors given Doctor of Divinity degrees, the Rev. Jewell H. Kyzar of Greenwood and the Rev. Joe T. Odle of Gulfport.

June 26—Special Co-operative Program Offering Day

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TRAINING UNION ATTEN	DANC	Æ
May 29, 1949		
Crystal Springs	541	10
Hattiesburg, Main Street	822	204
Laurel, First New Albany, First	651	190
New Albany, First	529	185
Bogue Chitto	111	95
Center (Union County	165	72
Carmel (Lawrence County)	118	53
Brookhaven, First	848	245
Lucedale	274	65
West Laurel	435	116
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Union (Pike County) Kosciusko, First	310	151
a ascagouia, First	404	174
Eastlawn Mission	55	21
Laurel, Second Avenue	427	130
Centreville	155	460
Pleasant Hill (Lincoln		
County)	130	45
Chalybeate	73	33
Newton	555	150
Bruce		86
O'Tuckalofa (Yalobusha		
County)	26	
East McComb	396	166
Tupelo, Harrisburg	399	195
Mt. Vernon (Leflore County)	58	49
East Fork (Amite County)		50
Darling	35	11
Delay		55
Mantee	_81	44
Providence (Forrest County)		80
Jackson, Northside	289	157
Jackson, Van Winkle		194
Jackson, Parkway	338	189
Parkway Chapel	49	39
Jackson, Calvary	710	211
Calvary Mission	22.	14
East Side (Rankin County)	72	56
May 22, 1949		
Centreville		36
Mantee	91	38
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AMONG RECENT VISITORS IN THE office of the Baptist Record were: Martha Bailey, Raymond; William Thomas Temple, Jackson; Betty Hutchinson, Margaret Tisdale, Jackson; Alf Rose. Vicksburg; James E. Sandlin, Fulton; Rev. J. L. Courson, Maben; Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Bush, Weir; Dale Burnett, Jack Burnett, Louin; Bill Spell, Clinton, and Rev. Phil Walker, Vicksburg. -BR-

PEARLHAVEN CHURCH (BROOK haven) had a successful revival recently with Rev. Percy Ray, of the Home Mission Board, leading in the preaching service. Sixteen were baptized as the result of this meeting, with a number added to the Church by letter and many who rededicated their lives to the Lord Jesus. Rev. Paul Z. Ball is pastor.

work. The Cooperative Program is the soundest, safest, surest, most successful, and most Scriptural method we have yet found for carrying out Christ's will in the world.

Blue Mountain College believes in the Cooperative Program.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS ARE SINGing the Doxology! Receipts for May 1949 were \$87,863.94, being \$6,588.47 greater than May 1948. Doxology!

THE RIDGECREST CLUB AT BLUE Mountain College has elected the following officers for 1949-50: President, Gail Nelms, Gadsden, Ala.; vice-President, Evelyn Hill, Luxora, Ark.; secretary and treasurer, Willie Vesta Winslett, Laurel; and program chairman, Bess Ann Smith, Blue Mountain.

THE STEENS CREEK BAPTIST Church, Florence, closed a very fine Vacation Bible School May 20. There were 101 enrolled. The pastor, Rev. L. C. Hoff acted as Principle. Mrs. Fred Laird and Miss Martha Ann Courtney had charge of the music. Mrs. Bryan Courtney acted as Superintendent of the Beginner Department. Mrs. Hurst Webb was Superintendent of the Primary Department and Miss Dorothy Black acted as Superintendent of the Junior Department. The ladies of the W. M. S. were responsible for refreshments being served each day.

Southern Baptist Gains Continue in 1948

Southern Baptists gained one state convention, 19 associations, 2,024 ministers and showed a decrease of 1,970 active pastors in 1948 and compared with 1947 according to the 1949 Southern Baptist Handbook, edited by Porter Routh, Secretary, Department of Survey, Statistics and Information, Baptist Sunday School Board.

According to the Handbook the only decreases shown were active pastors, resident members, open country churches, town churches, churches with

quarter-time preaching, churches with half-t of church houses.	ime preaching a	and the number
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State C	1948	and Losses
State Conventions20	21	1(5.0%)
Associations 942	961	
Ministers (Licensed and Ordained) 25,319	27,343	
Active Pastors 18,221	16,251	
Ministers Ordained During Year 625 Churches and Membership	1,341	
Churches 26,764	26,822	58(0.2%)
Non-Resident Members 1,379,580 (22.0%)	1,555,676(25.7%)	
Resident Members 4.891.239 (78.0%)	4,823,542 (74.3%)	_67,697(1.4%)
Total Membership 6,270,819	6,491,981	221,162(3.5%)
Baptisms 285,152	312,246	
Ratio 1 to 22.0	1 to 20.8	
Open Country Churches 15,293 (57.2%)	13,399 (50.0%)	
Village (1-500 pop.) 4,238 (15.8%)		-1,894(14.1%)
Town (501-2500 pop.) 3,619 (13.5%)	4,719(17.%)	481 (11.3%)
City (Over 2500 pop.) 3,614 (13.5%)	3,397(12.6%)	-222(6.5%)
Location Not Given	4,209(15.7%)	595 (16,4%)
Quarter Time Preaching 6,568 (24.5%)	1,098(4.1%)	
Half Time Preaching	4,874(18.2%)	-1,684(34.6%)
Half Time Preaching 8,752 (32.7%) Three Quarter Time	8,685(32.4%)	-87(0.8%)
Preaching 321 (1.2%)	381(1.4%)	60(18.7%)
Full Time Preaching 11,133 (41.6%)	12,333 (46.0%)	1,200(10.8%)
Services Not Indicated Sunday Schools	549(2.0%)	
Churches With Sunday Schools 25,156	25,305	147(0.6%)
Number Mission Schools 830	830	
Total Enrollment 4,004,705	4,308,374	308,000 (7.6%)
Ohurches With Vacation Bible .		
Schools 14,199	15,357	1,258(8.2%)
Enrollment 1,328,790 Training Union	1,485,360	166,570(11.8%)
Churches With Training Union 12,797	18,242	445(3.5%)
Enrollment 927,908 Woman's Missionary Union	1,078,828	160,920(16.3%)
Churches With WMU 12,239	13,335	1,096(9.0%)
Enrollment 761,907		97,891(12.8%)
Churches With Brotherhoods 2,807	3,453	247/99 1 W Y
Enrollment 97,146		647(23.1%)
Gifts	119,228	22,082(22.7%)
Total Local Gifts\$108,690,832		21,165,283(20.4%)
Per Capita \$16.53	\$19.23	\$2.70(16.3%)
Total Mission and Benevolence\$ 26,472,014	\$81,750,299	3,278,285(11.5%)
Per Capita \$4.54 Property	\$4.80	\$0.35(7.7%)
Church Houses 25,208	25,116	-92(0.4%)
Pastors Homes	7,242	177(2.5%)
Total Value Church Property\$366,830,652	\$460,385,517\$	89,554,865 (22.8%)

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Davis Did It

This issue of the Baptist Record is a special COOPERATIVE PRO-GRAM issue. Various agencies and departments set forth the advantages of the Cooperative Program to their particular work.

Much planning, effort and work has gone into the preparation of the articles on the Cooperative Program.

Some of the writers signed their articles, others did not but the nature of the article will reveal the source. The planning and preparation of the articles was directed by Rev. William P. Davis, Assistant Executive Secretary. He is due thanks from all of us for the excellent job he has done. If this issue is much better than the usual issue the praise is his. It has required several weeks of careful planning.

The Foundation

Much of this issue is given to enumerating many of the merits of the Cooperative Program. As planned by Assistant Secretary Davis, most of the writers were confined to their own sphere of work. All of the articles should give the reader a broader view of the many merits of the Cooperative Program.

We ask the privilege of presenting some of the general aspects of the Cooperative Program.

The Cooperative Program provides a plan for work. No building worth the name is ever erected without first having a plan. That is just what this program does.

Not only does it provide a plan, but it provides a plan for all our work. In other days a few objects were presented during the year and an offering was made, If it rained, the object suffered. If the person presenting the subject was dry, so was the collection. If he collection was better but it was never an offering, just a collection.

With the Cooperative Program, we have the privilege of supporting everything all the time. We are seldom present in our own church because of the many calls from over our state, but we see that our offering gets there. And it is not for just one thing, but for all of them. Everytime we pass one of our institutions, see one of our workers or come in contact with the product of any of our Baptist work, we have a feeling of pride in knowing that we had a share in that work.

The Cooperative Program also enables us to support ALL the work fairly. Committees study the various aspects of the work and then recommend the percentages that they feel will most fairly meet the needs of the various agencies. No agency gets all it wants but in the light of the facts at hand it gets a fair allocation. Under the old plam some received too much and some too little.

Each agency gets regular support. As a boy, we remember that our State Mission work depended on the State Mission offering in October. If weather conditions were good and the offerings generous there was no debt; this was not the usual case. However, with the Cooperative Program, each phase of the work gets regular support. In years gone by, our Foreign Mission Board spent thousands of dollars of mission money for interest on borrowed money in anticipation of the April offering. Now regular support through the Cooperative Program makes borrowing unnecessary.

There are a few who criticize the Cooperative Program, but they do not propose a better plan. At the present time, the Cooperative Program is the best plan that Mississippi Baptists know for carrying on their world-wide work. Let those who oppose the Cooperative Program suggest a better plan. How many missionaries do they support? How many schools do they have? How many seminaries have they built? How many orphanages do they support? How many county missionaries do they have? In fact, what do they do outside of the local church. Are they trying to be obedient to "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria; and unto the uttermost part of the earth"?

Not only should we support the Cooperative Program but we should do more in 1949 than we did in 1948.

In previous years, the distributable Cooperative Program dollar has been divided 60-40. That is, sixty cents was used for Mississippi work and forty cents was sent for southwide causes. The 1949 division is 55-45. This means that in order to have as much money for state causes, our people and our churches must contribute more in 1949 than they did in 1948.

For example, if a church sent \$100 in 1948 through the Cooperative Program, the same church in 1949 will need to send \$110 if state causes are to receive as much as they did in 1948. In other words, each church and individual should contribute 10 per cent more in 1949 than in 1948. A church giving the same in 1949 as in 1948 is simply giving less to state causes.

Let us support Southwide causes but let us also support our State causes.

The Cooperative Program is the foundation upon which all our work is built.

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Reflections On the 1949 Convention

The 1949 Southern Baptist Convention is now history but the spiritual powers released there, the plans made, and the programs promoted will make themselves felt in the life of Southern Baptists for years to come.

The messengers, as well as visitors, seemed to feel a high sense of duty and must have been trying to tune themselves to God's will.

At times it seemed that the Master was using them as the keys of a great piano and was playing upon the whole keyboard of emotions, impulses and human hearts.

Who could fail to note the large audiences as they sat silently and worshipfully while God's people opened the Book and taught its truths. Our hearts were lifted toward heaven as the thousands raised their hymns of praise. Throughout the sessions we could sense a feeling of seriousness and responsibility. Speaker after speaker laid upon our hearts a lost world in need of a Saviour, a sinful world in need of redemption, a hungry world crying for food and clothes and a desperate and despairing world that knew not where to turn.

We believe that many pastors and other messengers left the Convention with a determination to try to do something to meet the present day needs even at the cost of sacrifice.

We believe everyone who attended will agree that the two mission programs—Home Missions Thursday night and Foreign Missions on Friday night—were outstanding peaks as they presented various phases of the work of winning the lost, both at home and abroad.

Mississippi Negro Thrills

The address of a former Mississippi Negro, Dr. E. W. Perry, pastor of the great Tabernacle Baptist Church in Oklahoma City was one of the high hours of the Convention. Like most speakers, he was just a preacher while reading his sermon, but when he began he speak extemporaneously he lifted the hearers to the third heaven. The drama, thrill and spiritual exhiliration of his half-hour cannot be forgotten by those who experienced it.

We do not agree with the feeling of a few that a minority are trying to run things, but there was a tendency to vote against these who were considered as leaders. Some fear domination. We see no evidence of it. They are just brethren trying to help where and when called upon, but minority reports usually prevailed. The majority report recommended Harrison Arkansas, as the site for a Western Assembly, but the minority report naming Glorietta, New Mexico was adopted. We predict that this action will finally result in three and eventually, four assemblies.

Four of the five committeemen named Houston, Texas, for the 1950 meeting but one member brought a minority report naming Chicago, Chicago was selected. The Place Committee unanimously named Houston for the 1951 Convention. One man moved to substitute the name of Sai Francisco. It was.

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No Registration Fee

The Executive Committee recommended a two dollar registration fee to be used for Convention expenses such as auditorium rent, badges and other things connected with staging such a meeting. One brother remarked that he was opposed to a "poll tax" and out went the two dollar registration fee The amount needed will be take from Cooperative Program funds by vote of the Convention.

Continuing the decentralization trend, the Convention instructed the Southern Baptist Hospital solutions. New Orleans not to begin any new hospital work unless previous authorized by the Convention.

PRAYER PLAYED A MORI important part in the Convention than in times past. Of course prayer has always had a prominent place in our Convention, he more so at Oklahoma City. Quite often, Dr. R. G. Lee, Convention President, would ask for a moment of silent prayer.

There was less hanging around than in times past. At other Conventions we have seen largerowds in the book and exhibit rooms during the sessions. The places were visited, but most of the visiting was done before an between meetings. The same we true of the lobbies. Most of the in the lobbies were there because

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THE BIGNESS OF THE CONvention impressed us. There were more than 9,000 registered messengers and a total of at least 15,000 counting messengers and visitors. And it is getting larger in every way. Oregon and Washington were received and it won't be long until Alaska will be asking for admittance. In fact, the Convention took action notifying everybody that the world is our field and that any agreements that other Baptist bodies may make restricting various sections of the country to this or that denomination do not bind us.

those critics with closed minds must have been impressed with the democracy of the Convention. Of course, there are always some sour-souled defamers who would have you believe that only a few have a part in Convention affairs. This is not true. Everyone had an opportunity to have his say. A messenger in shirt sleeves was listened to as attentively as Dr. So And So.

THERE SHOULD NOW BE NO doubt in the minds of all that our people desire an educational program which is honestly church-centered and fully coordinated. The Convention instructed the Committee on Church Organizations to continue working on such a program.

THE CONVENTION SHOWED its interest in reaching more individuals by instructing the Radio Commission to promote a year-round Radio Program and to enter the field of television and visual education. (The Radio Program now runs only three months per year.)

ted itself to the establishment of two new seminaries, one in the east and one in the west. Our guess (and guess it is) is that the sites eevntually selected will be the present site of Wake Forest College in North Carolina and the Golden Gate Seminary in California. (Wake Forest College is to move from its present location in Eastern North Carolina to Winston Salem, nearer the center of the state.)

Unity Outstanding

WE WERE IMPRESSED WITH the unity of the Convention. Not every matter received a unanimous vote but the minority accepted the will of the majority. We have been attending conventions since 1916 and have not before seen evidence of a better spirit of unity among Baptists. There were no evidences of sec-

tional nor doctrinal differences.

THE CONVENTION SHOWED

a spirit of aggressiveness. Florward, march was the theme. Plans for more missionaries, at home and abroad, were made. Our territory was expanded with the word

tory was expanded with the word that we reserved the right to go wherever there was need and the time was ripe.

DEMONSTRATING ITS CONservativeness and also its desire to avoid snap judgment, the Convention adopted an amendment to read (1) "No amendment may be considered after the second day of the Convention and (2) that an amendment shall have been presented to the Convention at the previous annual meeting before action is taken upon it."

No Hasty Amendments

This means that proposed changes will be well-considered before action is taken. Too often in the past have we seen action taken on the spur of the moment that would not have been taken had time been given for sober thought.

WE WERE IMPRESSED with the fact that Southern Baptists are Bible-loving Baptists. Every speaker who had occasion to do so, stood firmly on the Bible. Not one weak word or insinuating remark was spoken regarding God's word.

demonstrated that Baptists can function as a great democratic body with individual freedom of expression and vote. So far as we could see, there were no private plans nor undercover plots. The people were given a chance to speak out and to vote their convictions. Not every action went our way but nothing was "rail-roaded" through.

There was one sour note. On a few occasions when someone proposed a measure that met with opposition, some of those opposed would shout "No" or some other expression of disapproval without waiting for the matter to be put to a vote. The more courteous way would have been for the opposition to have waited to do their shouting until the matter was put to a vote. A Baptist is entitled to his say without the handicap of discourteous remarks or shouts of disapproval.

just that. No word of Modernism did we hear. No speaker either in private or upon the platform spoke one word that did not ring true to the cherished principles for which Baptists have fought and died. They know what they believe. They know what our Lord meant when he commanded, "Go ye into ALL the world."

Convention Board Bookkeeping Dept. Is Nerve Center Of Mississippi Baptist Work



Shown above are, left to right: Mrs. Sallie Campbell, Assistant Bookseper; Mrs. Hester Donaldson, Assistant Bookkeeper; Mrs. Lois Tyler, Head Bookkeeper; Mrs. B. L. Dildy, Receipt Clerk.

The main Bookkeeping Department of the Convention Board Office is the financial nerve center of our Mississippi Baptist life. Personal requirements are—staff members must be Christian, courteous, prompt, honest, dependable, efficient, etc. We believe the staff members presented above meet these requirements in a fine way. They receive, distribute, and account for all Cooperative Program momes coming daily to the Convention Board Office. They also receive, distribute and account for all designated monies for the work of Christ coming to the Convention Board Office. This office receives tithes and offerings for every phase and field within our Mississippi Baptist and Southern Baptist life. People are constantly sending through this office sums for non-denominational causes. We do not urge that this be done but staff members are happy to be of service in any worthy cause.

Foreign Missionaries, Home Missionaries, State Missionaries, orphans, ministerial students and many others receive the benefit of the monies thus given to the work of Christ through this Bookkeeping Department. For a church of our Lord to receive the testimony of the offering, that offering must actually be handled by this office. The auditor will not accept any other procedure in that respect. Every penny must be properly accounted for on the books, on the bank deposit, and on the check stubs.

Occasionally a member of a church, which church is not cooperating in the work, will send in directly to the Convention Board Office an offering for the work of Christ.

Every Christian should bring his or her tithes and offerings to the House of the Lord. Then the members of every church should see that their particular church sends the largest possible share of these tithes and offerings through this office for all the work of Christ in the various associations, in State Missions, in Home Missions, for Foreign Missions around the world and all the other work of Christ!

Miss Lois Tyler, Head Lookkeeper, is from Winona and Bruce, Mississippi. She is a fine Christian and a member of Parkway Baptist Church where she is superintendent of a department. She first served in the Baptist Record Business Management Department helping us bring the Baptist Record to its greatest days in financial profits. She is an unusually good bookkeeper.

Mrs. Hester Donaldson, Assistant Bookkeeper, came to us from Holly Springs Baptist Church. A brother, Dr. Ira B. Seale, Holly Springs, is well-known and greatly loved throughout Mississippi. Mrs. Donaldson is a woman of sterling Christian character, culture, and integrity.

Mrs. Sallie Campbell, Assistant Bookkeeper, in a change of administration in the Baptist Foundation, was fixing to leave the work. We were in need of another bookkeeper at the time and wanted her in the work so we secured her splendid services.

Mrs. B. L. Dildy, Receipt Clerk, is a delight to all of our hearts as she serves as a thermometer for the daily receipts. When these receipts are good in each morning's mail, Mrs. Dildy is all aglow and glad to tell everybody. We are happy to say that through these years they have usually been good! Occasionally, however, when receipts are down to around \$1,000 a day Mrs. Dilday frankly says she is not anxious to see anybody. Suppose we keep her happy by keeping the daily receipts up to a high mark! What do you say to that?

You will rejoice in the well balanced Bookkeeping Department herewith presented! Doxology!

Malachi 3:8-14; Exodus, chapters 25, 35, 36; Acts 20:35; I Corinthians 16:12; II Corinthians, chapters 8 and 9.

June 26-Special Co-operative Program Offering Day

REV. J. T. RENFRO, PASTOR OF Beacon Church, Leurel, reports that for the past few months there has been a steady increase in Sunday School attendance in spite of two epidemics that have raged. And despite the Masonite strike, the finances are holding up well. The church has paid off the indebtedness of the Educational Building and is gradually increasing the building fund for a new auditorium, MANKATO, MINN.—(RNS)—A PUBlic school district cannot pay for transportation of pupils to parochial schools, even though the district's own school is closed, a court has ruled here. District Judge A. B. Gislason of New Ulm, Minn., issued an injunction halting school district 140 of Blue Earth county, Minn., from paying for transportation of pupils from Leray township to Roman Catholic parochial schools in Mankato and Madison Lake, Minn. Continued from Page One)
mission boards.

For a quarter of a century Southern Baptists have used the Cooperative Program to provide for each agency in proportion to its needs. As a result every agency has prospered, debts have been paid, programs have expanded, and 6,491,981 Baptists in 26,822 independent churches have made a united impact for Christ upon a lost world.

How It Works

"Upon the first day of the week let each one of you lay by him in store as he may prosper . . ." (I Cor. 16:2.) Each member of every church does this as an act of worship and specience and as an evidence of love love Christ.

Some churches determine by vote the members what portion of each of the local program and what it is to go through the Cooperative Program. In other churches each individual indicates in his pledge or on his church envelope how his gift is to be divided. The church treasurer then sends the Cooperative Program funds to the state ponvention office.

The state office immediately forwards a part of the funds received the different agencies of the state ponvention according to the percentages fixed by co-operative Baptists In their annual state meeting. The remainder, which is designated for Southern Baptist Convention ageneles, by action of the same annual state meeting, is sent to the Southern Baptist Executive Committee at Nashville, Tennessee. The Executive Committee then distributes the Cooperative Program funds to agencies according to the percentages adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention.

So far as the Southern Baptist Convention is concerned, a contribution from the Sunday School Board to the Convention Operating Budget is exactly equivalent to the administrative expense of the Cooperative Program.

Following is a survey of Southern Baptist agencies based on reports to the 1949 Convention:

Missionary Agencies

Foreign Mission Board—Established 1845. Located in Richmond, Virginia. M. T. Rankin, executive secretary. The board has 662 active missionaries in 19 separate national areas. Total gifts to foreign missions last year amounted to \$4,734,288.

Home Mission Board—Established 1845. Located in Atlanta, Georgia, J. B. Lawrence, executive secretary. It has 1,028 missionaries including 287 summer workers. From all sources the Home Mission Board received last year \$2,121,369,32.

Educational Agencies

We speak of Jesus as the Great Teacher. It was in His name that our Baptist forefathers at great sacrifice planted schools throughout this land.

The following theological schools for the training of ministers and missionaries and other religious workers are supported and operated by the Southern Baptist Convention:

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary—Founded in 1859. Located in Louisville, Kentucky. Ellis A. Fuller, president. Present enrollment 805.

W. M. U. Training School—Founded 1904. Located in Louisville, Kentucky.

Miss Carrie W. Littlejohn, principal.

Present enrollment 197. This Training School is supported jointly by the Southern Baptist Convention and Woman's Missionary Union.

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary—Founded 1908. Located in Fort Worth, Texas, E. D. Head, president. Enrollment last year 971 men, 484 women, totaling 1455. Enrollment by schools: theology, 751, religious education, 617, music, 201.

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary—Founded 1917. Located in New Orleans, Louisiana, Roland Q. Leavell, president. Present enrollment 391, including both men and women.

American Baptist Theological Seminary.—Founded 1924. Located in Nashville, Tennessee. R. W. Riley, president; E. P. Alldredge, general secretary of seminary commission. Total enrollment this year 90. This seminary is owned and operated jointly by the National Baptist Convention, Inc. (Negro), and the Southern Baptist Convention.

Agencies of Benevolence

Relief and Annuity Board—Established 1918. Located in Dallas, Texas, Walter R. Alexander, executive secretary. During the thirty years of operation more than three million dollars has been disbursed in relief grants to retired ministers and widows of ministers, and more than six million dollars has been disbursed in annuity benefits. Assets of the board total over \$15,000,000. These assets are held in trust for the 3,679 ministers, missionaries, and denominational workers participating in some annuity plan of the board.

Southern Baptist Hospital—Opened March, 1926. Located in New Orleans, Louisiana. Frank Tripp, administrator. Last year this hospital served 24,646 people in Christ's name.

General Agencies

Baptist Sunday School Board—Founded 1891. Located in Nashville, Tennessee. T. L. Holcomb, executive secretary-treasurer. The 60 periodicals published by the board have a circulation of approximately six and a half million copies per issue. Receipts from all sources amounted to \$7,141,455.60 of which almost a half million dollars was returned to the work of the denomination.

Southern Baptist Foundation—Chartered in 1947. Located in Nashville, Tennessee. C. H. Bolton, executive secretary. This agency is a permanent trust managed by successful Baptist laymen to enable any individual to make a permanent contribution by gift, bequest, or gift annuity to any Southern Baptist cause.

The Education Commission correlates information for all Baptist schools.

The Social Service Commission challenges Baptists to apply the teachings of Christ to social relations.

The Public Relations Committee seeks to interpret Baptist convictions in national and international affairs.

The Radio Commission provides transcriptions of religious programs for local stations and, through the Baptist Hour broadcast, preaches to approximately two million people a week.

Promotional Agencies

Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention.—Organized as now constituted, 1927. Located in

THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

By E. C. WILLIAMS

The Cooperative Program is the financial plan that Bpatists have evolved for caring for all the work on a more equitable basis.

While possibly not perfect, since we never in this world get to be perfect, yet it is a fair, unselfish and impartial plan that enables us to care for all the work from the local church on out as far as we carry the gospel message.

It has many things to commend it, and it offers to each and to all a good medium of having a definite part in the financial program of all the work of Baptists.

Good Teaching Emphasis

It is most important to teach all of us to help support all the causes. It is easy to become lopsided in our finances as well as in other things.

Some people think of only one or two parts of the work, and give all their offerings to those few. This is too narrow a view, and one that is dangerous. Every phase of the program needs financial help, and must have it. Therefore, it is so much better for all of us to be taught the value of helping every part of the work, and to make regular contributions to them.

Since the primary function of the Sunday school is teaching, this affords a very splendid opportunity to teach all the people—from the smallest children to the oldest men and women—to give to all the work, and not just some of the causes.

This teaching in the school can and will result in action in most cases, because the church is giving to each person regular opportunities to make financial offerings to all the work of Christ.

It is good teaching that helps people to see the full picture and not just a portion of it. It is valuable instruction that enables us to see all the world with its need and not just a part of it.

Cooperative Program And Sunday School Department

Since the Cooperative Program supports all the divisions of our work, that means that the Sunday School Department is included.

Therefore, it is very definitely pro-

Nashville, Tennessee. Duke K. Mc-Call, executive Secretary; Merrill D. Moore, associate secretary and director of promotion; C. E. Bryant, director of publicity. It is the administrative arm of the Convention and carries out the instructions of the Convention. Also, it promotes the interest of every agency of the Convention. It receives from the state Convention agencies and makes distribution to these agencies every week. Total funds handled last year amounted to \$8.865,000.

Baptist Brotherhood of the South.

Organized 1907. Headquarters,
Memphis, Tennessee. Lawson H.
Cook, general secretary. Their aim
is: "A Million Men for Christ" enlisted in the work of the local church
and supporting every interest of
Christ's kingdom. Through laymen's
revivals and a program of outdoor
advertising as well as the regular
meetings, the Brotherhood makes a
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moting every item of work that this Department sponsors. This means then that Bible teaching and study, winning the lost, developing the saved, aiding in better church buildings, Vacation Bible schools, various conferences, clinics and conventions promoted by this Department, are all products of the Cooperative Program. The money with which this Department carries on and does all of its work, in so far as our own State Board is concerned, is from this Program of finance.

Therefore, as we support the Cooperative Program, we give to our great and growing work of building bigger and better schools for Bible teaching and study each Sunday in the year.

The Missions Emphasis

Not only is missions a very definite part of the Cooperative Program, but it is helping to give additional mission teaching and emphasis through the regular mission lessons in the Sunday school and also the special mission days each year in March and October.

There is a most vital relation between what one knows and what one does. If we expect people to give liberally to missions, there must be much teaching on the subject. Of course, we may know and not do, but we will not do if we don't know.

The Cooperative Program makes possible many and glorious opportunities to inform us all as to the need of people every where for the gospel message of life and salvation in Christ Jesus. Therefore, let us all give liberally in the financial support of this worthy Program that is all-inclusive and that is seeking to help every part of our great Baptist work and program.

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Shown above is the ordinance of baptism being administered by Rev. G. M. Crawford, associational missionary in Lafayette and Marshall counties. Mr. Crawford is one of our many associational missionaries receiving some support through the Cooperative Program. As Mississippi Baptists increase their gifts to the causes of Christ through the Cooperative Program, more missionaries can be added and thus make possible the reenactment of scenes like this in numerous sections of our state. Now is the time for Mississippi Baptists to extend the Galilean Highway into every section of our state and the world.

IN A RECENT ARTICLE CONCERNing the dedication of the largest pipe organ in the south at Calvary Church, Jackson, Dr. W. D. Hudgins was named as pastor. This was an error; Dr. Harold Basden is pastor of Calvary Church! Dr. Hudgins, of First, Jackson.

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HE BSU AND THE COOPERATIVE ROGRAM

By CHAS. W. HORNER State BSU Secretary

The Baptist Student Union, or SU, an integral part of the Coopative Program, is Southern Bapst's and Mississippi Baptist's effort claim our future leadership, both cular and Christian, for Christ and His church. In Mississippi, the SU receives practically all of its fincial support from the State Misons part of the Cooperative Proam, and all except \$6,400, which is e 1949 budget for the State BSU partment, helps pay the salaries fifteen local BSU Secretaries.

It is, therefore, fitting that reports outstanding events of these camises, as reported by these "Spiritual aches," make up the remainder of

Miss Marian Leavell, University of ississippi: "This year, for the first ne, the Religious Secretaries (Bap-Methodist, Presbyterian and ") secured from the College Regisar a list of students applying for mission. Your Baptist Student Secary and the BSU president prered a pamphlet on the BSU. Before opening day of school, a letter of come, plus a pamphlet, was sent our Vice President to the home adess of each student applying for mission to Ole Miss. This BSU mphlet was later mailed to every perclassman who registered as a ptist, with an invitation to be an tive church member. The folder s been most effective in paving the y for our visitation program in the

Miss Nell Magee, Sunflower Junior llege-organized a Y. W. A., starta BSU paper and library.

Miss Betty Hubbard, Jones Junior llege—Twenty-six dedicated their cations to Christ during Vocational nphasis Week, 670 pounds of clothgathered for World Relief.

Mr. Charles M. Tolbert, Mississippi llege—Purchased a new misison s with funds raised entirely by stunts; students held eight-day connuous prayer meeting before their

Mrs. David Livingston, East Cenal Junior College-"The message of v. Paul Horner at our B. S. U. Banet has helped us to seek the truth every area of our lives and to are that truth with our fellow stu-

Mrs. S. A. Salter, Mississippi State organized and conducted Junior hurch, weekly services for sick and t-ins, started a church nursery, ganized Young Adult Department in Training Union, stressed total vardship.

Miss Kathleen Taylor, Woman's llege—Thirty-five students dedicattheir vocations to Christ during cational Emphasis Week, sent \$100 d six bags of clothing to World Resustained program of extension ork in jail, hospital and in communvisitation, sponsored Student Reval, visit of Chester Swor to the

Miss Dora Etta Solomon, Pearl er Junior College-Vocational Emasis Week and the revival with ester Swor as speaker.

Rev. Louie Farmer, Jr., Clarke Col-

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ton Church on Join-the-church Day, Religious Focus Week, Mission Band organized and maintained mission in an unchurched Negro section of Newton, Ministerial Association bringing back to life five disbanded churches in Choctaw County, Alabama.

Rev. Riley Munday, Mississippi Southern-Eight Youth Revivals with 27 professions of faith and many dedications of life.

Mrs. John Merrill, Jr., Delta State-The State BSU Convention, meeting at Delta State in October of 1948.

Mrs. W. F. Haley, Perkinston Junior College-Religious Emphasis Week with Prof. Frederick Roth, of Gulf Park College, as speaker; contributed books to Negro school.

Miss Helen Bolt, Blue Mountain-Dedicated Vocations Week, Missions Emphasis Week, 100 in attendance at daily prayer meeting.

Mrs. Robert Lewis, MSCW-Spiritual Emphasis Week with Chester Swor when many decisions for Christ were

THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

Through the Cooperative Program, a lone Mississippi Baptist can literally spread himself or herself out from the local church to the ends of the earth. Through it, we support a State Mission Program that has as its ultimate objective taking, "Mississippi For Christ." Through it, we support a program in keeping with Matthew 28:19-20, looking toward building the Galilean Highway. Through it, we support the long arm of our Missionary Program that has as its ultimate objective taking, "The World For Christ."

The Cooperative Program is for:

1. Evangelism—By Evangelism is meant nothing more or less than personal soul-winning. Soul-winning can be done in our own homes, next door or overseas.

2. Missions-By Missions, we mean local, state, home, foreign-all places. all people.

3. Christian Education—By Christian Education, we mean to "Keep the Light of Christian Truth Burning in the Hearts of Youth!"

4. Healing the Sick-We have not begun to see the possibilities of the ministry that can be rendered in and through our denominational hospit-

5. The pure religion spoken of in James 1:27-"To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction and to keep himself unspotted from the world."

The Cooperative Program springs from the Bible and is to be carried on through our denominational frame-work. The frame-work includes churches, pastors, associations Boards, secretaries, and missionaries.

May we, as Mississippi Baptists, never forget that we are where we are today mainly because of the success of the above financial plan of our denomination.

"Put All Your Begs In One Asket" By Lawson H. Cooke

This suggestion appeared on a banner stretched across the street in one of our large cities during the Community Fund Campaign. It struck us so forcibly, we are using it as an appeal for a wholehearted support of the Cooperative Program of Southern Baptists.

We understand, of course, that "begs" is not the best word, and also that there is no such word as "asket." On the other hand, we cannot find an expression which will more strikingly and appropriately fit our position regarding denominational fi-

The widespread program of Southern Baptists, the inter-locking of our various interests, the intimate relationships binding our denominational agencies together, demand a cooperative plan of financing. It would be utterly impossible to carry on operations so large and so far-reaching, and through so many agencies, unless it was all tied together by some overall financial plan. Equity, a proper balance, and relative needs could never otherwise be met.

The Baptist Brotherhood of the South stands unalterably for the Cooperative Program as the basic plan for financing our denominational work. It will take care of every normal denominational need. Without it the whole denominational structure would fall apart. So we make no apologies for repeatedly discussing it in these columns.

The Cooperative Program And Rural Evangelism

By REV. MARTIN J. GILBERT

The work of the Department of Rural Evangelism is promoted under the direction of the State Convention Board. The Home Mission Board helps to support this work. At present we are trying to complete a survey of the State by Associations. This is very necessary in order to intelligently set up a comprehensive program. At the same time we are trying to carry on a seven point program, Viz: (1) To discover and publicize the needs and accomplishments in every association; (2) To cooperate with associational workers; (3) To cooperate in the establishment of strong church centers in weak or strategic fields; (4) To help rural pastors; (5) Adequate church buildings; (6) Better understanding of denominational program; (7) Cooperate with other

agencies, 1. e. school, agricultural, to provide wholesome social and recreational programs. Various means are being used to implement this program. We need your prayers.

The Cooperative Program is the very life blood of the Department of Rural Evangelism. Most of our support comes from it. The major part comes through State Missions. You will note from the chart that State Missions receives 23 per cent of the 55 per cent that remains in the State. Some of our support comes from the Home Mission Board. You will note from the chart that Home Missions receives 17.5 per cent of the 45 per cent allotted to out of State causes. So, every phase of our work is supported through the Cooperative Program. Give through the Cooperative Program and give to all causes.

Cooperative Program the Bedrock Of Our Financial Structure

By DR. W. E. GREENE,

promotional work depend upon this. a million dollar endowment. These have had re-establishment and have made progress as our Cooperative Program has developed and grown. All of our work has been enlarged as the Cooperative Program has expanded.

More especially has the institutional work been built and encouraged. Until three or four years ago, none of our schools was able to be helped by the Cooperative Program directly except in debt paying. Now the Cooperative Program is able to supplement endowments equivalent to several million dollars.

Since Clarke Memorial College has such a small endowment that it re--Eighty-six students joined New- ceived only \$140 from that source last Cooperative Program. w worselfution 1927 Lecated in Curtain

year, it has to depend on the Cooper-President of Clarke Memorial College ative Program for its denominational The Cooperative Program is the support. A check up revealed that the bedrock of our financial structure. \$25,000 received from the Cooperative All of our institutions, mission and Program means to us approximately

Since our tuition and fees are so small, and since so many of our students are unable to pay all of their way, this income constitutes a life stream for Clarke Memorial College. Even though it is used for operational costs, it is very definitely missionary in its scope and application.

Because our operational support is so definitely related to the Cooperative Program receipts, we could as zealously guard that source of income as we would a million dollars of endowment. Thus our very life at Clarke Memorial College is vitally connected with the heart and pulse of Mississippi Baptists through the

SOUTHWIDE BSU DEPT HAS NEW ASSOCIATE



Miss Estelle Slater of Carrollton, Missouri, became associate Southwide secretary in the Department of Student Work of the Sunday School Board on June 1

Sunday School Lesson

Prepared By BRACEY CAMPBELL

June 5. THE DEATH SENTENCE. Matthew .27:19-26; Mark 14:53-15:15; Luke 23:4-12; John 18:13, 14, 19-24, 28-40; 19:1-16.

I. Fixing Responsibility

When I was a boy, I read a history of the U. S. by Edward Eggleston, in which occurred this statement concerning the War Between the States: "We must remember that though the Civil War was caused by slavery, it was not about slavery but about secession." So when we come to consider the crucifixion and to fix responsibility for it, we do well to remember that though the Romans put Him to death, the Roman authority was not the cause of His death.

The cause of His death was the insistent demand of the Jewish leaders who incited the mob to howl for His blood and answered the verdict of the Roman judge, pronouncing Jesus innocent of wrong-doing, by accusing Jesus of designing to lead a rebellion against Roman authority. Squarely upon the shoulders of the Jewish authorities rests the responsibility of the murder of the Son of God.

II. Perennial Interest in the Trial

It is an event of so great interest to the world that books on the subject of the trial and lectures on it continue to multiply with the years. This is all because of the meaning the trial and crucifixion have for us and of the irregularities practiced by the Jewish leaders who were determined to encompass His death.

III. In His Footsteps

He was arrested in Gethsemane by soldiers sent "from the chief priests and elders of the people," and thence led to the residence of the high priest.

1. Old Annas. He had been deposed from the office of high priests years before, but this act had been by Roman authority, so there were many Jews who still held him to be the lawful high priest. He was a bad man, who, as always in such cases, grew worse with the passing years. A really good man grows better with the passing years, and a bad man grows worse. Old Annas the schemer was scheming death to Christ while the schemer himself was treading the brink of his own grave. In contrast, the Lord would have saved even Annas had he only shown any willingness to seek and find God. Jesus' appearance before Annas was a sort of preliminary trial, held before daybreak in violation of the Jewish law. In his interview with Jesus, Annas made no progress toward his desire, so he sent the Lord away to Caiaphas.

2. Conniving Calaphas. He was a worthy son-in-law to old Annas. First thing he did was to seek witnesses, not that the court might learn the truth, but the court might find excuse to put Him to death. When Jesus refused to reply to these witnesses, Calaphas resorted to an expedient utterly illegal, that of putting a defendant on oath and forcing him to testify against himself.

"Art thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?" Jesus knew the purpose of this question and the consequence of His answering it truthfully, but He was compelled to answer it, and, of course, He answered it truthfully. "Yes, I am." I am coming back one day, He says in other words, and then our roles will be reversed. In that day I shall be the judge. He returns one day to judge the world, and that we all face that judgment, let no one make you to doubt. Down through the ages this declaration of the Lord runs in words that spread from shore to shore of every land and ride the waves of every sea. But with



Shown above is Rev. Frank H. Thomas, pastor of Woodlawn Baptist church in Warren County. Mr. Thomas is one of the 41 pastors in the state receiving pastoral aid through the Cooperative Program.

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this declaration of the Master, the high priest has attained his object. He had heard from the lips of Jesus the claim that He was the Son of God, and this, in the estimation of the high priest was a blasphemous claim which stamped Him as worthy of death as one who had set Himself up as God.

IV. The Brave Man Becomes Coward

Peter! Peter the impetuous! He had boasted that he would never deny the Lord! Peter would stand faithful till the springs of the seas ran dust! But the Big Brother's moral courage failed him when his Lord did not do things according to His program! So Peter cursed and swore he had not known Jesus at all. Alas for the pride of the human! Better to have no confidence in the flesh, in my flesh or your flesh, or anybody else's flesh.

V. Pilate

Do you get sorry for him? Poor politician! Wanted to please everybody, feeling bound to please the greatest number possible, to do anything to keep his job as provincial governor! Dammed himself to everlasting infamy by giving way under pressure and wronging the righteous to satisfy the clamor of a bunch whom he knew to be full of hate and envy of the man they were demanding should be executed, murdered.

Pilate knew better and did the worse. Poor chap thought it would be done when 'twas done, but he found that was a mistake. Pilate saw the Man. Pilate called the attention of the mob to the Man. "Behold the Man!" But since he could not quell the mob without giving them blood, he did so, believing that he was looking upon Jesus for the last time. But that also is not to be so. Once again he will see Jesus. Jesus no longer with bleeding back and thorn-crowned head and suffering face befouled by the spittle of His enemies; but a regnant Jesus now-yes, Jesus! He still is human and shall be when He sits to judge Pilate and His other judges. And they led Him away to crucify Him as a favor to his Jewish enemies, enemies from envy and fear lest His plain speech should interfere with their profits from the religion

No Ulterior Motive Says President Lee

Dr. R. G. Lee, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, has issued the following statement concerning the fact that the 1950 meeting of the Convention will meet in Chicago:

"I acknowledge that the vote on next year's Convention may be misinterpreted—and may be labeled as 'religious imperialism.'

"We may be accused of seeking invasion into Northern Convention territory. We are not going there to make any effort to win any Northern Baptist Convention churches to affiliation with our Southern Baptist Convention.

"We go there by vote of this Convention after the minority report to substitute Chicago was accepted.

"This Southern Baptist Convention is not meeting in Chicago to flirt with any Northern Baptist Convention church or Baptist body with purpose to get their affiliation with Southern Baptist Convention. We go to do our work without effort to woo or win Northern churches to join our Convention. We go only to do our work and glorify the Lord Jesus Christ and so to live that he may be glorified in

HICKORY GROVE PLANS HOMECOMING DAY JUNE 5

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Hickory Grove Church in Lauderdale County has planned its annual Home-Coming Day for June 5.

Rev. Charles Phipps, pastor of Richland Church, Rankin County, will be the guest speaker, bringing the morning message. Rev. Paul Kirke is the pastor.

Dinner will be served on the grounds and an afternoon program of singing and fellowship has been planned.

THE MINISTRY OF TRACTS

Mississippi Baptists, through the Cooperative Program and State Missions, send out great number of Gospel tracts and leaflets to every section of the State, and by request to regions beyond.

More than 500,000 tracts are sent out each year. Soul-winning tracts are in greatest demand, closely followed by Stewardship and Doctrinal. Tracts on all subjects of special interest to the Christian worker are sent free, provided by State Missions through the Cooperative Program.

A request to Baptist Headquarters will bring to anyone free gospel leaflets, denominational and promotional tracts.

PEARLHAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH,
Brookhaven, Lincoln County, is planning
a Vacation Bible School for June 20July 11.

REV. D. W. MOULDER PREACHED at the morning and afternoon service at Shady Grove Church in George County on May 22, which was Home-Coming day. A special offering was taken for the new church. The Rev. Mr. Moulder had led in 24 revivals at Shady Grove during the past 42 years. Rev. Marvin is the pastor.





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DOES THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM PRODUCE?

We live in an age of production. People want to know if a machine functions. They want to know if a team can win games. They want to know if a plan will get the job done.

Does the Cooperative Program produce?

We now give you a schedule showing you for each of the last five years in our Mississippi Baptist work the percentage of total receipts for all the work that came through the Cooperative Program. The schedule follows:

1948 Cooperative Program Receipts 48% of Total Receipts.

1947 Cooperative Program Receipts 45% of Total Receipts.

1946 Cooperative Program Receipts 31% of Total Receipts. 1945 Cooperative Program Receipts 37% of Total Receipts.

1944 Cooperative Program Receipts 42% of Total Receipts.

We thus see that for most of these years close to one-half of all monies coming through the Convention Board office came through the channel of the Cooperative Program.

Has the Cooperative Program produced by State Missions?

The schedule that follows will show that for each of the last five years the Cooperative Program has brought in more than one-half of all State Mission reecipts. The schedule follows:

1948 State Mission receipts through Cooperative Program 65% of Total State Mission Receipts.

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1945 State Mission receipts through Cooperative Program 58% of Total State Mission Receipts.

1944 State Mission Receipts through Cooperative Program 55% of Total State Mission Receipts.

Now let us turn to southwide receipts for Foreign Missions alone.

We had our Bookkeeping Department give us these figures which show that for the last five years exactly 50% of all Foreign Mission monies came through the Cooperative Program. The schedule follows:

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Of one thing you may be certain and that is Cooperative Program monies will be used all along the line for the purposes for which the Cooperative Program is planned. First, it undergirds and supports all of our work. It carries as a minimum item the preaching and promotional or so called overhead cost. In varying percentages it spreads out to help on every Mississippi field in every institution, in many associations and multitudes of churches.

Sensible people will send a man to do a man's work. The Cooperative Program carries the biggest single load carried by any one promotional plan in operation

See that some of your tithes and offerings-a worthy proportion-go to all the work of Christ through the Cooperative Program.

See that your church sends through the Cooperative Program via the Convention Board Office a worthy share of monies received.

Support all the work of Christ all the time through the Cooperative Program,

Mississippi Baptists will be glad to know that from the 1949 Southern Baptist Handbook just off the press we now have 1,615 Mississippi Baptist Churches. For the first time in our history we go over the 1600 mark in total number of churches in the state. Doxology! From the same source we learn we have a grand total of 366,172 members in these churches. Doxology again! This source also informs as that we have 442 full time churches. If our memory serves us aright this means that our full time churches in this state have doubled in number within the last ten years.

You already know that last year we baptized in Mississippi 15,242 persons, the first time we have passed the 15,000 mark within a given year.

You have already been told that last year you gave more than ever before to all the work of Christ through the Cooperative Program. For the first six months of this year you gave more through the Cooperative Program than for the same period last year.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS ARE ON THE MARCH! DOXOLOGY!

Finally, the bookkeeper has just handed us figures showing a profit of \$7,718.27 in the operation of the Baptist Record for the first six months of this Convention year, November-April inclusive. Every penny of this profit goes back into the work of the Lord Jesus Christ as it has all along. Doxology!

A fine event of real Christian significance is taking place in Noxubee County Sunday afternoon, June 12. The time is 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon. The place is the lake sight on the large timber holding of Mr. C. A. Barge. It is some twelve or fifteen miles west of Macon and two or three miles off the Macon-Louisville Highway to the north. A tabernacle as a meeting place for youth groups and other groups will be opened and dedicated. Rev. and Mrs. Dick Shurtz will direct the work. Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Barge are very spiritual Christians and interested in all the work of Christ. Friends everywhere are invited to this opening service and other services that follow ..

The first two commandments are: "Thou shalt have no other gods before me. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image." Exodus 20:1-6. Yet thousands of years have passed and half and more of the population of the world have other gods and three fourths of the people of the world bow down before images. Is

God shorn of His power? Have men gone stark mad? Multitudes of Catholics in North and South America, Europe and other places use image worship! There are over 400 million Chinese who are idolaters. There are over 200 million Hindus of India who worship 300,000-400,000 things as gods who are not God at all. They worship rivers, rocks, mountains, snakes, elephants, monkeys, mosquitoes, turtles, idols, etc. They have gods of the earth, sky, sea,

Our Local BSU Secretarios



Reading from left to right, top row: Miss Betty Hubbard, Jones Junior College; Rev. Riley Munday, Mississippi Southern; Mrs. John Merrill, Jr., Delta State; Rev. Louie Farmer, Jr., Clarke College; Miss Marian Leavell, University of Mississippi.

Middle row: Miss Dora Etta Solomon, Pearl River Junior College; Mrs. Robert Lewis, MSCW; Miss Beverly Hodges, Southwest Junior College; Mr. Charles M. Tolbert, Mississippi College; Miss Nell Magee, Sunflower Junior

Bottom row: Mr. S. A. Salter, Mississippi State; Mrs. David Livingston, East Central Junior College; Miss Helen Bolt, Blue Mountain; Miss Kathleen Taylor, Woman's College; Mrs. W. F. Haley, Perkinston Junior College.

June 26—Special Co-operative Program Offering Day

Lie Urges Prayer At UN Meetings

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y .- (RNS)-Secretary-General Trygve Lie proposed here that all meetings of the United Nations start with a minute of silence devoted to prayer, meditation or remembrance of those who have died in the service of the U. N.

"Since the United Nations comprises every religion, creed and sect," Lie said, "It would not be possible to introduce a public or spoken prayer which could satisfy all tenets and give offense to none.

"On the other hand, the United Nations is dedicated to the fulfillment of great ideals for the human race that are shared by all religions and philosophies. It is fitting that an opportunity should be given to all to express in their own way their dedication to universal ideals."

ORAL CHURGH, LEBANON HAS COTTON PATCH Proceeds to Go to Pastorium

Oral Church in Lebanon Association has planted a cotton patch. The cash needed was furnished by the Brotherhood and the men and boys of the church are doing the work. The proceeds of the project will be added to the cash fund for the new pastorium, which the church is planning to build soon.

In looking over the church records it was noted that from 1941 to 1949 there were only 16 professions of faith and only seven additions by letter. Since that time there have been 75 additions, 45 on professions of faith. During 1941 Cooperative Program gifts totalled \$6.55, as compared with \$200 during 1948.

The church is now supporting a full-time program and Rev. Foy H. Rogers is the pastor.

etc. They have personal gods, tribal gods, etc. They have gods of the seasons, gods of the sun, moon, and stars. They have gods and gods and gods who are not God at all! There are more than 100 million Japanese who are heathen idol worshippers, There are nearly 100 million Africans who are idolaters. We saw snakes and turtles worshipped by people on the Malay Peninsula.

In addition think of hundreds of thousands of people in America alone-non-Christians who are just as godless and just as Christless as these others referred to. They worship money, pleasure, business, self, family, pride, ease, etc. Which is the worse? One is just as lost in sin without Christ as is the other. A lost person in Amrica is no more lost than is the lost person in India lost and vice versa. Jesus saves and Jesus alone saves. Acts 4:12. John 3:18.

Some people worship church. Some people worship denomination. Some worship a seminary. Some worship a college. Some worship a preacher. Some worship a baby. As fine as these are we are not to worship them. We are to worship God!

Twice in the book of Revelation John is so overcome by the abundant glory the revelation that he starts to fall at the feet of the messenger and worship. Each time he is told, "See thou do it not-WORSHIP GOD!" Revelation 19:10 and 22:19. Surely that should be emphasis enough for all of us that we are to worship God-and only God!

"O worship the King, all glorious above, O gratefully sing His power and His love; Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, Pavilioned in splender, and guided with praise,"

GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

MORE PROOF OF THE PUDDING

For Years The Baptist Record has cliamed that if people were acquainted with The Baptist Record they would want it. From one end of the state to the other the offer has been made to let them try it and decide for themselves. One of the latest churches to try and decide for The Baptist Record is McLaurin Church in Forrest County. Rev. A. T. Walker is the pastor.

After sending The Baptist Record on trial for a few weeks, the church decided that The Baptist Record would be a good investment at a cost of only 8 1-3c per family per month. A list of 57 names have already been received.

Record readers in Forrest County in addition to the 57 at McLaurin are as follows: Brooklyn, 71; Carterville, 45; Rawls Springs, 70; Dixie, 46; Glendale, 47; Green's Creek, 60; Hattiesburg, First, 527; Hattiesburg, Bouie Street, 50; Hattiesburg, Main Street, 745; Hattiesburg, 5th Avenue, 283; Hattiesburg, 28th Avenue, 50; Hattiesburg, 38th Avenue, 80; Immanuel, 106; Irene Chapel, 32; Lakeview, 13; Macedonia, 36; Petal Harvey, 177; Providence, 95; River Avenue, 70; Zion Hill, 69; Fruitland Park, 1.

TIPLERSVILLE IS NUMBER 956

Having had experience with the EVERY FAMILY plan of the Baptist Record in other pastorates, Rev. R. L. Ray, Jr., who recently became pastor at Tiplersville lost no time in leading the church to adopt the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY plan of the Baptist Record.

A list of 51 names has already been received with the promise of others to follow whenever additions are made to the membership.

Baptist Record readers in Tippah County are now listed as follows: Tiplersville, 51; Academy, 32; Blue Mountain, 218; Chalybeate, 52; Falkner, 90; Fellowship, 37; Graham's Chapel, 5; Harmony, 50; Palmer, 24; Pine Grove, 31; Providence, 44; Ripley, 126; Walnut, 47; People, 1; Concord, 9.

CALVARY CHURCH GOES PLACES

Although only organized since September, 1948, Calvary Church, Mississippi Association, is making much progress. One of the recent progressive steps of this church was to send a list for the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY plan of the Baptist Record.

The list was sent by Mrs. Ottis Laird, church clerk. The pastor is Rev. J. D. Nazary. He came to Calvary last March.

In addition to the ten Record families of Calvary Church Mississippi Association now has Record readers listed as follows: Bethel, 30; Berwick, 33; Crosby, 43; Ebenezer, 19; Galilee, 103; Gillsburg, 72; Glading, 25; Hebron, 19; Liberty, 156; Mars Hill, 83; Mt. Olive, 50; Mt. Vernon, 57; New Zion, 45; Oak Grove, 38; Robinson, 29; Zion Hill, 47; Mt. Pleasant, 2; Centreville, 103; Pioneer Church, 4; Woodville, 87.

ALWAYS BEARING OUR WITNESS TO THE RESURRECTION

(Editor's Note: Below is given the sermon preached by Dr. E. W. Perry, pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist Church (Negro) at Oklahoma City, Many favorable comments have been heard concerning the sermon of this able Negro and many requests for its publication have been received.)

By DR. E. W. PERRY, Pastor, Tabernacle Baptist Church, Oklahoma City

Text: "That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death; If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead" (Philippians 3:10-11).

Brief Declaration of Faith

Paul regarded the resurrection of Jesus as a fact of transcendent importance. He and the other apostles regarded it as 'a power. It was the heart of the apostle's message and the desire of his soul. It constituted the ultimate climax of the plan of salvation. Without it, He need not have been born. "And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins. Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished" (1 Corinthians 15:17-18).

Paul tells us that after Jesus was found in "fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (Philippians 2:9-11).

There is in the heart of every sane man a love of life. The hope of immortality, like a beacon light, shines dimly through the mists of futurity and ever urges the soul onward and upward. Without that hope-how dark is life; how terrible is the grave; Take away this hope and you take away the greatest support of the human soul. But what supports this hope? Is it a mere dream of fancy, born of ignorance and superstition, or a fear of imaginary beings? History attests that back of all mythology is the religious instinct. Back of all religious worship will be found these four fundamental instinctive beliefs: (1) there is a God; (2) man is immortal: (3) there is a future world somewhere;

GLADING IS NUMBER 957

One of the latest additions to the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY plan of The Baptist Record is Glading Church in Amite County.

Recently Miss Laverne Wells, of Route 3, Magnolia, sent in a list of 25. That means that from 75 to 100 people in the area of Glading Church are going to read about Baptist work at home and abroad each week.

Amite County Record readers are now listed as follows: Calvary, 10; Bethel, 30; Berwick, 33; Crosby, 43; East Fork, 34; Ebenezer, 19; Galilee, 103; Gillsburg, 72; Glading, 25; Hebron, 156; Mars Hill, 83; Mt. Olive, 50; Mt. Vernon, 57; New Zion, 45; Oak Grove, 38; Robinson, 29; Zion Hill, 47; Mt. Pleasant, 2.

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(4) man's dependence on God for happiness in the world to come.

Back of all philosophy will be found these religious instincts and institutional ideas of a personal, moral obligation on the part of man. On what then is built man's hope of a future life? The innate laws of his own being: instinct, intuition, conscience, and consciousness. These laws are as fixed as the laws of inertia and gravity. They are eternal—the image of God in man. Religion rests on these laws. Like Job, if everything is swept away and man is reduced to dust and ashes, he still hopes and cries: "Behold, my witness is in heaven, and my record is on high . . . All my inward friends abhorred me: and they whom I loved are turned against me. . . . I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me." It would be criminal to place these desires in the human heart without an adequate supply.

Jesus is God's remedy for man's malady. "I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come; and I will fill this house with glory, saith the Lord of hosts" (Haggai 2:7).

Somebody has said: "All the fitness God requires is to feel the need of Him." Job cries: "Oh that I knew where I might find him! That I might come even to his seat!" And then he asks: "If a man dies, shall he live again?" Jesus answers, "He that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live."

Another has said: "Unanswered yet? Faith cannot be unanswered. Her feet were firmly planted on the Rock. Amid the wildest storm prayer stands undaunted, nor quails before the loudest thunder shock." She knows Omnipotence has heard her prayer and cries; "It shall be done—sometime, somewhere."

The resurrection of Jesus satisfied the longing of the human heart and the desire of the soul.

Witness the Resurrection

The crucifixion, death, burial and resurrection of Jesus climax the greatest tragedy and the most glorious triumph of all time. Nothing in the annals of history has approximated it. It reveals the

unknown depths of sin and the all-sufficiency of the grace of God. It is always a disappointment when a life that commences well ends badly. We have this feeling even in fiction. Instinct demands that a story shall end well. This instinct furnished a powerful reaction on Jesus' disciples when He expired on the cross. A shameful and inglorious end. The end of culprits, malefactors, robbers, and murderers. For it had been written: "Cursed is everyone that hangeth on a tree." But the cross was not the end of this mission nor the conclusion of the story.

Consider the death of Christ in the light of His perfect life. If that death was the close of a life so beautiful, so remarkable, so God-like, we are faced with an insoluble mystery: the permanent triumph of wrong over right and the impossibility of believing in truth or justice in the world. Hence all efforts at living upright are futile and worthless.

Everything depended upon His rising from the grave. The promises of God were back of it: "Thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption." If one of God's promises should fail through the activities of Satan, all would fail. If He did not rise, then the whole Bible is false and there is no eternal future. All who are dead have perished and no ground of hope is in us. Love is unknown and truth is crucified forever.

The surety of His death and the circumstances surrounding it were all providential and reveal God's power over sin and the devil, and the power of right over wrong. "His cross is not greater than His grace; The thorns cannot hide His smiling face. I am satisfied to know, that with Jesus here below, I can conquer every foe."

Did He Rise?

The empty tomb is a mute testimony to all generations. The testimony of the enemy authenticated the message of the women. The transformation of the disciples is positive proof of His resurrection. They gave their lives in testimony thereof. The napkin and linen are mute and irrefutable evidence. They would not have stolen His naked body.

Finally:

The power of His transforming genius is the marvel of the ages. Quietly, and while it was yet dark He puts off mortal and puts on immortality. He does that for every penitent sinner.

"In evil long I look delight, unawed by shame or fear,

Till a new object struck my sight, and stopped my wild career."



Shown above is the attractive display booth of the Southern Baptist State papers. The Baptist Record is shown at lower loft.

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The Scriptural Basis of the Cooperative Program

By DR. JOHN W. LANDRUM, Member of the Cooperative Program Committee.

"Yes, the Cooperative Program is Scriptural" is the subject of a tract by C. B. Williams published by the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. Just what is the Scriptural basis of the Cooperative Program?

This question can be answered under the following headings: It is Scriptural in its objective; it is Scriptural in its agencies; and it is Scriptural in its administration.

The objectives of the Cooperative Program are the objectives of our own Southern Baptist Life: 1. Evangelism; 2. Missions; 3. Teaching; 4. Healing; 5. Helping the helpless.

Evangelism or soul winning is at the very foundation of all of our Cooperative Program effort. John the Baptist was a soul winner. Andrew went and won his brother Simon. Jesus Himself was a great soul winner and Jesus calls us all to become soul winners when He says, "Come ye after me and I will make you to become fishers of men."

Missions is completely entwined in the Cooperative Program. We may stay at home and win souls, that is evangelism; but when we go and win souls, that is missions. For our own convenience the Cooperative Program has State, Home, and Foreign Missions. We see that this is Scriptural because Jesus sent out the seventy, two by two, in a perfect illustration of state missions. Phillip went to Samaria and won the Ethiopian eunuch, which is a perfect example of home missions. Foreign Missions is illustrated so vividly by the life of Paul that we need not spend time for justification.

In the Great Commission Jesus commanded us to teach. He Himself was the great teacher and He says, "Follow me." We are trying to do so in our teaching program. The twelve disciples and Paul used teaching as one of their principal methods of winning souls and if we follow the Great Commission, we, too, must teach. The Cooperative Program is truly Scriptural in its teaching ministry for through it we support our schools, colleges, and seminaries.

The healing ministry is carried out through our hospital work. Jesus Himself was the greatest healer the world has ever seen. Peter and John cured the crippled beggar. Paul healed the cripple at Lystra. We as Christians must follow this program of healing and there is no better way than to pool our resources and be completely Scriptural through the Cooperative Program for a great healing ministry.

One of the greatest tragedies that we can see is a homeless child or an aged person who is unable to take care of himself. Through the Cooperative Program we support our orphanage work; we support our aged ministers; and we support the widows of our ministers. James 1:7 clearly illustrates this as being the Scriptural basis for such activity and those who back the Cooperative Program have pure religion of the New Testament type.

The agencies of the Cooperative Program are spiritual for we find

Cooperative Program And The W.M.U.

By EDWINA ROBINSON Missions waits on the Cooperative Program,

The Cooperative Program waits on stewardship,

Stewardship waits on personal consecration.

Personal consecration waits on me. To co-operate is to operate together. The Cooperative Program is the program by which southern Baptists operate together for the promotion of all the causes of the Southern Baptist Convention. The years have proved the economic and spiritual value of the Cooperative Program. Baptists go forward when they go together. Through the Cooperative Program all causes work together, all Southern Baptists work together and as "laborers together with God" go forward in a great united effort for the spread of the Kingdom.

We recognize the Cooperative Program as the best financial program we have been able to devise. Dr. Dillard said of it:

"It is comprehensive: all our work is in it.

It is fair; it provides for each agency in proportion to its rela-

It is economical; it does away with the necessity of having many paid agents to represent our causes.

It is glorious; it enables every contributor and every church to have a part in all the organized work of the denomination.

It will succeed if given a fair chance."

In the Plan of Work of Woman's Missionary Union there are five fundamentals-one of these being "Tithes and Offerings"-stewardship of material possessions. The first emphasis given in projecting this plan is the channel of our tithe, "the Cooperative Program of Southern Baptists. The ideal suggested for each organization is at least a 10 per cent increase over contributions of preceding year." In Mississippi we give added emphasis to this in requiring on our Standard of Excellence. "At least 60 per cent of the membership contributing through the Cooperative Program."

At least one of the twelve monthly

these agencies being the churches, the pastors, the associations or conventions, the boards or standing committees, secretaries, and missionaries. All called out by God to do God's will and each one who dedicates himself to the Lord in such a task finds God's greatest blessing for him.

In its principles of administration the Cooperative Program is certainly Scriptural for we find a principle of cooperation among the churches even as was evident in Paul's collection for the saints. The principle of tithing is bound up completely with the Cooperative Program for a percentage basis is always the most desirable way to give to such a program. That certainly is the principle which Paul referred to when he said, "Upon the first day of the week let each of you lay by him in store as he may prosper and no collection be made when I come."

May we as Christians give in God's way, the Cooperative Program way.

DR. M. LATTIMER PASSES **Died on Commencement Day**



PROFESSOR M. LATIMER

Clinton, May 30—Death came early this evening to Dr. Murray Latimer, professor-emeritus of Ancient Languages at Mississippi College. Dr. Latimer was 77 years of age on May 8.

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock at the Clinten Baptist Church with faculty members with whom he served so long handling the last rites.

Dean Howard Spell was in charge, with Dr. D. M. Nelson, president, making the funeral oration. Interment was in the Clinton Cemetery.

Pallbearers were nephews of the departed professor: Homer Scott and Ernest Scott of Tylertown, W. R. Sumrall and Willard Green of Crystal Springs, J. M. Loftin of Philadelphia, J. M. Dorsey of Lucedale, Neal Sumrall of Atlanta and George Robert Johnson of New Orleans.

Known to thousands of former Mississippi College students as "Dr.

programs deals with the Cooperative Program in its broader aspect and various individual causes are presented in other programs. In our Stewardship plans for Young People, the emphasis on the tithe comes first and the channel for it-Cooperative Program, follows-then offerings and channels for those come second.

The 1949 Year Book gives emphasis to the Cooperative Program in a special article "Building the Kingdom through the Cooperative Program." In that article we read "sacred scriptures shaped the Cooperative Program, consecrated experience built the Cooperative Program, Christian concern continues the Cooperative Program, divine wisdom demands the Cooperative Program and far-sighted teamwork guarantees the Cooperative Program." The Woman's Missionary Union of Mississippi believes in the Cooperative Program, seeks to promote it and is conscious of our stewwardship to it because our operated budget is a preferred item in it.

"One sees from the inside out" says Dorothy Canfield Fisher. Women have the particular ability to see from the heart. We need to personalize the Cooperative Program by looking through it to each individual cause in it. The Cooperative Program is people, not figures; individuals, not humanity; it my state as well as the world.

Seminary Project for Latin America

The Foreign Mission Board is reconsidering the whole question of theological education in Latin America with a view to establishing only four major institutions in that area, two in the Spanish-speaking part of the continent and two in Portuguesespeaking Brazil. Smaller institutions in other centers, supported mainly by the national constituency, will serve as Bible schools for students with less preparation.

Brazil already has two good seminaries with women's training schools, one at Recife in the north and the other at Rio de Janeiro in the south. Both are fairly well equipped now, except for the need of a new seminary building at Rio. Logical locations for the other two would be Buenos Aires, Argentina, where a seminary is already established, and Cali, Colombia, where property has been acquired for a seminary and other mission buildings.

Zeus," the distinguished professor retired from active service at the college in 1942. He remained active in his private business interests for several years, but had been in failing health for the past few months.

Born on a farm in Copiah County, near Crystal Springs, on May 8, 1872, he received his early education in the schools of that community before entering Mississippi College.

He was the first honor graduate of the Mississippi College class of 1897, receiving both the B.S. and B.A. degrees. During his senior year, he was the anniversarian of the Philomathean Literary Society, the greatest honor to be given by that organization.

He was awarded the Master's degree in 1898 and began teaching at Mississippi College that fall. He spent several summers in graduate study at the University of Chicago. After teaching for 44 years at Mississippi College, the degree of LL.D was conferred on him by

Dr. Latimer specialized in ancient languages and was recognized as one. of the great Greek scholars of the South.

He was married on January 3, 1900, to Miss Myrtle Webb, daughter of Dr. W. S. Webb, a former president of the college. She lived until 1913 and this union was blessed with four children.

The oldest son, Dr. Murray Webb Latimer lives in Washington, D. C., where he is a consultant in industrial relations. The second son, Dr. John Latimer, is professor of ancient languages at the George Washington University in Washington, D. C.

One daughter, Mrs. Margaret Latimer Buckley, is the wife of Dean Buckley of the Mississippi State College for Women at Columbus. Another daughter, Mrs. Catherine Latimer Monroe, is the wife of J. H. Monroe, who is employed by the U.S. Navy in Washington, D. C.

In 1913 Professor Latimer was married to Miss Mariah Johnson of Water Valley, and to this union was born one daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Jane Latimer Horne, wife of Dr. L. G. Horne, a physician in Vicksburg.

Eight grandchildren also survive. Active in religious and civic work, Dr. Latimer had been mayor of Clinton, chairman of the board of deacons for the Clinton Paptist Church, vice president of the Bank of Clinton, president of the Baptist Ministerial Education Board and many years a member of the is healing, teaching, preaching; it is Junior College Accrediting Commission of the state.

Blue Mtn. College Graduates 72 Eastland, Murphy Speakers

Blue Mountain, Miss., May 30—At the seventy-sixth annual commencement of Blue Mountain College today President Lawrence T. Lowrey awarded Bachelor of Art degrees to sixty graduates, diplomas in piano to three and diplomas in speech arts to nine. The candidates were presented by Dean Walter F. Taylor. The address was made by Lowrey B. Eastland of Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Mr. Eastland told the graduates to "put the same zip into life that they put into their college career." He ged them not to rest on their diplomas, but to maintain the same attitudes throughout life, to avoid the pose of sophistication, and to have faith in enduring values.

Yesterday Dr. Slater Murphy, pastor of Highland Heights Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn., preached the baccalaureate sermon. Dr. Murphy urged the graduates to build Christian lives and Christian homes, using as supports the pillars of "Purpose, Prayer, Patience, Preparation, Perseverence, Purity and Power—from God."

Those receiving the bachelor of arts degree are: Edith Reed Estes and Billie Mae Pickens, Ripley; Dorothy Griffin and Betty Winn, Laurel; Frances Alfalene Jolly and Mary Grace Bumpas, Myrtle; Edith Hines and Ruth Hines, Saulsbury, Tenn.; Ruth Phis, Birdie Lou Clark, and Clarice Griffin, Pontotoc; Carrie Abernathy Echols, Merna Jean Hocum, Mary Lou McGee, Mary E. Murphy. Dorothy Louise Smith, and Evelyn Singleton, of Memphis; Virginia Marbury, Imogene Pannell and Mary Williams Hodges, New Albany Lelia Frances Jackson and Mercede Jackson, Sturgis; Mary Ernestine Britt, Olive Brnach; Maudean Helen Burrow, Smithville; Mary Willene Coker, Blue Springs.

Sara Brooks Collins, Holly Springs; Maurene Collums, Houlka; Janice Crull, Greenwood; Frances Davis, Houston; Doris Louise Dempsey, Waltham, Mass.; Bidney Winter Dixon, Raleigh, 'N. C.; Willa Dean Featherston, Oxford; Edeen Harris, Gunnison; Boots Hicks, Sledge; Patricia Ann Hicks, Mobile, Ala.; Norma Jean John, Jefferson City, Mo.; Jean Elizabeth Jones Gower, Baldwyn; Nell Keen, Elaine, Ark.; Eva Marie Keith, Blue Mountain; Emry Jean Little, Lambert; Elizabeth Louise McClure, Tupelo; Marian Mann, Brownsville, Tenn.; Marjorie Moore, Tiplersville; Faye Murphree, Pittsboro; Lexie Delle Muse, Meridian; Mary Louise Oakley, Potts Camp; Joan Grace Prosch, Birmingham,

Hazel L. Rodgers, Yazoo City; Eva Sherwood, Nashville, Tenn.; Margery Louise Smith, Union; Verley Smith, Richmond, Va.; Laura Frances Thompson, Arbyrd, Mo.; Cleo Tumblin, Laurens, S. C.; Mary Jane Ulmer, Beaumont; Nancy Womack, Humbolt, Tenn.; Mary Jane Whorton, Gadsden, Ala.; Ah How Ching, Honolulu, Oahu, Hawaii; Patsy Edwina Clark, Paden; Ella Aurelia Thomas, Millington, Tenn.; and Dorris Tidwell Smith, Clinton.

Those receiving diplomas in piano are: Nell Keen, Eva Marie Keith, and Marian Mann.

Those receiving diplomas in speech arts are: Sara Brooks Collins, Maurene Collums, Edith Hines, Ruth Hines, Elizabeth Louise McClure, Mary Lou McGee, Virginia Marbury, Mary E. Murphy, and Imogene Pannell.

June 26-Special Co-operative Program Offering Day

275 Degrees Awarded By Miss. College

Doctors Degrees Given To Williams, Hitt, Touchstone, Kyzar, and Odle

Clinton, May 30—Mississipi College conferred bachelor's degrees on 275 young men and women, and honorary doctor's degrees on five outstanding Mississippians at commencement exercises here this morning.

Several thousand friends and relatives of the graduating students attended the event, marked by an address by Dr. J. B. Lawrence of Atlanta, 1899 graduate of Mississippi College.

Dr. D. M. Nelson, president of the Baptist institution, presented both the honorary degrees and the diplomas.

He cited to the graduating class that its members face "an encouraging challenge" to further the cause of Christianity and world peace.

Receiving doctor of law degrees were:

T. N. Touchstone, of Jackson, director of instruction for the State Department of Education. He graduated from Mississippi College in 1917.

J. R. Hitt, of Clinton, for many years head of the mathematics department at the college, and a member of the class of 1917.

E. C. Williams, of Jackson, for 25 years secretary of the State Baptist Sunday School Board, who graduated from Mississippi College in 1915.

Doctor of divinity degrees were conferred upon:

Jewell H. Kyzar, pastor of the First Baptist church at Greenwood, and a graduate of the class of 1928.

Joe T. Odle, pastor of the First Baptist church at Gulfport, and a graduate of Union University, class of 1930

Dr. Nelson, opennig the commencement exercises reminded the student graduates and the audience that Mississipi College "has distinguished sons around the world."

He cited that for 50 years, Mississippi College has been furnishing secretaries for the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board.

As principal speaker for the commencement, Dr. Lawrence, executive secretary of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, discussed the challenge facing the college graduates of today.

"Hope of the future as well as danger for the future can be encompassed in your thoughts and actions," he declared. "Can man survive his own priceless folly? This is a mechanical world, and the machines that we built have the strength to destroy the world.

"Like power, knowledge is an agent to be used for the good or the bad, and it is your challenge to build a world of friendship and love."

Dr. Howard E. Spell, dean of the college, announced the recipients of diplomas, and also named those receiving medals and awards for distiniguished achievements.

Freshman declamation medal offered annually by Rev. J. H. Kyzar, of Greenwood, won by Leon Smith, of McComb.

Sophomore declamation medal, given annually by the family of the late Dr. W. R. Wallace, of Memphis, as a memorial to his brother, James H. Wallace, won by Claude Fortenberry, of Columbia.

The Trotter medal for the best original oration by a junior, endowed by the late Dr. I. L. Trotter, won by Robert Girling, of Holmesville.

Nelson medal, offered by President D. M. Nelson of Mississippi College senior classman won by Terry Hatchett, of Glasgow, Ky.

Lee-Amerson medals (two) awarded best affirmative and negative extemporaneous debaters, won by Walter Hinton Ott, of Osyka and for the affirmative, and William Henry Fancher, of Louisville, negative.

The Bailey award, won by Fred Kervin Spell of Columbia, for the best record in biology.

A \$10 prize offerde by Mrs. B. G. Walden, of Prentiss, to the best all-round college bandsman, won by Jack Bilbo, of Sumrall.

The U. D. C. Southern History award, offered the best student of Southern history, won by Harvey Haynes, of Oak-land.

A \$10 award by Dr. W. H. Sumrall to the senior with the highest average, won by Mrs. Wilma Cooper, of Oakland.

Another \$10 award by Dr. W. O. Sadle, to the student with the highest scholastic average (2 year student), won by Robert Wayne Howell, of Jackson, with a mark of 2.965. Closely trailing was Terry Hatchett, of Glasgow, Ky., with 2.945.

Fellowship and scholarship awards

A \$50 scholarship offered by Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Dampeer, of Crystal Springs, awarded to Joe Marders Cooper of Oakland. a ministerial student.

The Mrs. A. J. Aven scholarship established by the Woman's Missionary Union of Mississippi and amounting to \$150, won by Jim Pat Spell, of Columbia for 1949-50.

The Joseph Barnhill Memorial award in chemistry (income from \$1,000) awarded to Eugene W. Berg, of Jack-

W. J. Davis Memorial scholarship by the Woman's Missionary Union of the Jackson First Baptist church, \$60, won by Joe Cothern, of Richton.

Banks music scholarship, \$75, for best progress in voice, goes to Evans Gre-

H. M. King scholarship, \$75, by Gleaners Bible Class, Calvary Baptist church, Jackson, won by Carl Nelson, of Cleveland for 1948-49 and James Fancher, of Louisville for 1949-50. Both are ministerial students.

Two \$50 awards were made by the Clinton Woman's Missionary Society to wives of ministerial students showing outstanding scholarship and leadership, won by Mrs. Carl Nelson, of Cleveland, and Mrs. Joe Cooper, of Oakland.



Shown above is the attractive sign in front of Center Terrace Church, Canton, Rev. C. O. Estes is pastor.

NEW CLEVELAND CHURCH TO BE OCCUPIED JUNE 5 Cost \$185,000—Seats 800

CLEVELAND, Miss. — Cleveland's new \$185,000 First Batist Church will be formally opened Sunday, June 5. There will be three services during the day. The public is invited to attend the services and see the building.

At 11 a. m., the first service will be held in the new auditorium with Dr. Charles Treadway, pastor, delivering the sermon. Three robed choirs—the adult, youth and junior—will sing during the service.

The second service at 2:30 p. m., will be followed by a reception and open house. Dr. Ira D. Eavenson, former pastor here, will preach at the 2:30 service. Dr. Eavenson is at pressent pastor at Marks, Miss. At the afternoon service a choir, composed of young Chinese of the Baptist Church-sponsored Chinese Mission, will sing.

At the 8 o'clock evening service one of Cathedral Films' newest pictures "Simon Peter, Fisherman" is to be shown. An all-male choir and quartet will provide the special music.

The new church will be entirely completed by June 5 except for the pews and balcony and choir rails. These are being furnished by the American Seating Company and are scheduled for delivery in November.

Of the total cost of \$185,000 the amount already paid on the church is \$100,000. The remainder of the indebtedness has been met by an issue of bonds, which will be paid off in small annual payments over a period of 15 years.

The seating capacity of the new auditorium is about 800. The old building would seat only 350.

PRORTY-ONE CHURCHES IN THE Valley Association of Virginia participated in a two weeks simultaneous evangelistic crusade under the direction of Dr. C. E. Matthews, of the Home Mission Board, April 24-May 8. The visible results were a total of 962 additions to the churches: 643 by baptism; 248 by letter; 71 by statement. Dr. Matthews preached at the First Church, Roanoke, and they received 108 for baptism, with a total of 156. They all look upon this experience as one of the greatest metings the church has ever had.

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Summer Camp To Emphasize **Evangelism, Christian Living**

A deacon of First Baptist church of Jackson is announcing the dedication of Lake View, a new summer camp, in Noxubee county, midway between Macon and Louisville, committed to emphasis on evangelism and Christian living on the highest levels, for June 12 at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Dr. S. R. Woodson from the nearby city of Columbus, where he is pastor of the First Baptist church, will bring the dedication message.

Various groups of singers and musicians will be heard, and cordial invitations are extended all pastors in the surrounding areas to attend with groups from their respective church-

Joint directors of the camp will be Mr. and Mrs. Dick Shurtz of Los Angeles, Calif., and Jackson. He has had much experience in youth camps in the West. Mrs. Shurtz, the former Charlene Barge of Jackson is a talented artist, and will assist in all programs.

The tabernacle where the dedication will be held, is located beside a little lake set in a pine wooded section of the Barge timber holdings of 60,000 acres and seats approximately 600. The forest is approximately 300 miles in circumference, and is a nature lover's paradise with many varieties of trees and shrubs, wild deer, quail and other birds in profusion.

While the major emphasis will be on youth, the sponsors are being requested for some periods during the summer when adult groups can enjoy Bible conferences. Announcements about future events will be made at the dedication service June 12 at 3 e'clock in the afternoon, and the general public is invited to attend the ec-

BR_ GENTRY WILL HEAD MC STUDENT BODY

CLINTON-Charles Gentry, of Baldwin, was elected president of the Mississippi College student body in the annual election, defeating James Coleman, of Louisville and Charles Tyler, of Picayune.

For vice president, Bill Gunn, of Charleston, defeated James Tulloh, of Glasgow, Ky.

Robert McRae of Meridian, was elected student body attorney and Dorothy Dell Fail secretary-treasurer.

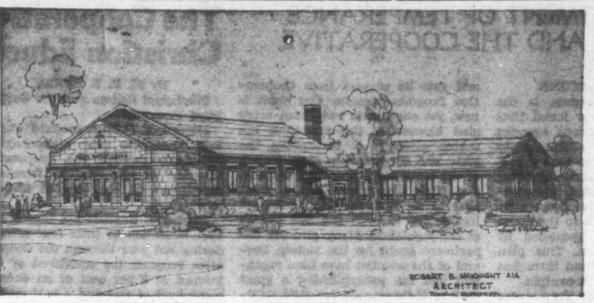
Jimmy Stribing, of Vicksburg, defeated Dave Davis, Anniston, Ala., for representative at large. Joe Mizelle. of Laurel, and Davis Brown, Jackson, were elected junion cheer leaders without opposition. For sophomore cheer leaders, Claire Newton, Monticello, and Frank Horton, Drew, will officiate.

Bennie Moore, of McComb, was elected head cheer leader by acclamation.

BR-Young Men's Mission Council

The June issue of "Ambassador Life" carried the dates of Y. M. M. C. at Ridgecrest as July 30 to August 3. THIS IS INCORRECT. The correct dates are as carried by the "Baptist Record" before, July 28 through Aug-

If you know of anyone who is interested in going write to Walter F. Bisbee, Box 530, Jackson, Miss., for information



June 26—Special Co-operative Program Offering Day

Providence Church To Have Homecoming June 5

Providence Church in Lawrence County will have its annual Home-Coming Day on June 5. Rev. N. F. Greer, of Clinton and Ruth, will be the guest speaker.

Following the morning service, dinner will be served on the grounds. A program of singing and fellowship is planned for the afternoon, as well as a business session.

Rev. Richmond Hancock is the pas-

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INDIAN SPRINGS HOLDS **ALL DAY PROGRAM**

Indian Springs Church in Perry County held an all-day service at the church on May 15, promoting its current renovation.

The pastor, Rev. O. H. Petty, preached at the regular services. Dinner was served on the church grounds. Roy and Ray Roddin, ministerial students at Mississippi Southern, had charge of the afternoon program. Ray led in the song service and Roy brought the inspirational message.

Soon after the Rev. Mr. Petty became pastor of Indians Springs, the church went to full-time, and the church is continuing to move forward under his leadership. ____BR-

WHILE RAISING MONEY FOR FTS building program, the First Baptist Church of Washington is also raising \$20,000 to rebuild a bombed church in Europe and Japan.

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40 & 25 Years Ago

By J. L. Boyd, Sr. 40 YEARS AGO

The First Baptist Church of Columbus has enjoyed a very gracious revival meeting with Rev. E. B. Miller of West Point doing the preaching, 14 accession to the membership. 26 YEARS AGO

Mississippi Woman's College graduates 61 young ladies.

The First Church, Tupelo, is reported to have begun to build a twostory brick house for their incoming pastor, whose name is not mentioned.

Rev. Bryan Simmons of West Laurel reports a "most pleasant meeting" with the Highland Baptist Church, Meridian, when "about twenty-five accessions" were welcomed into the fellowship, "most of these" coming by baptism.

RECOMMENDATION OF COMMITTEE ON BOARDS

We recommend to the Southern Baptist Convention in Oklahoma City the following:

Recommendation No. 1: That the Committee on Boards supports and recommends the adoption of the recommendation of the Executive Committee that all institutions, and commissions also be subject to rotation.

Recommendation No. 2: That the Committee on Boards recommends to the Convention that as far as possible the charters of all institutions be made to conform to the constitution of the

Convention

Recommendation No. 3: The Committee on Boards recommends that the Convention refer to the Executive Committee a study of a change in name and status of both The Baptist Brotherhood and The Public Relations Committee from Annual Standing Committees to Commissions of the Southern Baptist Convention.

HAROLD W. SEEVER, S. C., Chairman. BR-

CALENDAR OF PRAYER June 6-Districts 2 and 7 Junior R. A. Camp at Garaywa; Rev. Troy

Prince, Clarke College, faculty. June 7-Mrs. J. H. Williams, Copiah Associational W. M. U. Superintendent; Dr. Charles S. Henderson, DeSoto Association, Convention Board member.

June 8-BSU Retreat, Ridgecrest; Howard Stockstill, Rankin County Brotherhood president.

June 9-Rev. J. F. Brock, Moss Point, Woman's College trustee; E. F. Buckner, Winston Associational BTU Director.

June 10-Miss Franziska Heinrich, Blue Mountain faculty; Dr. Charles Treadway, Bolivar County Sunday School Superintendent.

June 11-G. L. Palmer, District 11 BTU president; W. R. Roberts, Brotherhood Secretary, Baptist Building.

June 12-Deer Creek Association wide Evangelistic Campaign with Dr. C. Y. Dossey.

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June 5, 1949.

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THE DEPARTMENT OF TEMPERANCE ACTIVITIES AND THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

By DR. W. L. HOLCOMB

The Cooperative Program is the best plan we have ever found thus far to finance the various agencies of our Convention. It enables every individual and church to have a part in all phases of our work regardless of the amount contributed. The monies are not given to the Cooperative Program but through it to the agencies and institutions sponsored by our Baptist Convention. This plan has proved its worth, and there has been a steady growth in receipts.

The Department of Temperance Activities is a child of the Convention

and gets its support from Cooperative Program receipts. Our work is new, yet our hearts have been made glad because of the marvelous response given to it throughout the state, and our people in every section of the state are giving their cooperation. This department had a great deal to do with keeping Mississippi legally dry through the last session of the legislature. Many give our department credit for the victory. Several of the counties have been organized and are accomplishing a great deal in their crusade for civic righteousness.

TRAINING UNION AND THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

By AUBER J. WILDS

Do you have running water in your home? The pipe is the "cooperative program" through which the water flows. Do you have electric power serving you in your home? The wire that brings it in is the "cooperative program" over which the electricity must travel. Do you have an esophagus? Yes, everyone has. That is the "cooperative program" that carries the food you eat to the stomach.

The Cooperative Program is a channel through which our money passes when we give, desiring to have a part in ALL of our Baptist work. It is not large enough as yet to take care of all needs and so is being supplemented all along by "designated" gifts.

These gifts go direct to the object for which they are given. Were the cooperative program large enough, special gifts would not be necessary. For example, the pipe that brings water into your home is not large enough for ALL needs. In case of fire, an additional supply is needed. If the water pipe coming into your home was large enough and the pressure sufficient to extinguish a fire, you would not need a fire department and your insurance would be much cheaper.

When the money comes through (not to) the Cooperative Program to the State Baptist office, it is divided upon the percentage basis agreed upon by the Convention Board, and every phase of our work shares in it. A part of that money goes to STATE MISSIONS. The Baptist Training Union is a department of State Missions. And therefore shares in the part of cooperative funds allocated to State Missions. Our share is about 7% of the amount allocated to State Missions, or a little less than 1% of the full co-operative dollar. (Christian Education, Orphanage, Hospitals, etc. are not classified as "State Missions." They have an allocation individually. Get a copy of the leaflet, "1949 Mississippi Baptist Cooperative Program Allocations," free for the asking from our office.) Our share sounds small, and we could use more, but this makes possible a challenging program, and we could not possibly carmy on on a less practical financial program. Of course there are designated offerings to State Missions without which we could not carry on, but the co-operative dollar is as a dependable horse. Most of our people, even those who designate certain parts of their gifts, want to have a part in all the work, that includes Training Union, and it is because of these and their co-operative gifts that we are able to plan our program in faith, and so far we have never had to call a halt in our Training Union work because of lack of funds. Were the Cooperative Program receipts larger, we could plan a larger Training Union Program. Nine tenths of one percent of every dollar given through the Cooperative Program goes into the Training Union budget. When you increase your Cooperative Program gifts, you enlarge our opportunity of enlisting and training the masses.

Music is now a definite part of our Training Program. We are carrying it along as a part of our Training Union work. We serve as a clearing house for churches and musicians for revivals and schools of music. We promote, as a part of our conventions, hymn playing and ensembles, and will add, when practicable, instrumental music other than piano. The Cooperative Program makes this music emphasis possible. On the estimated tithe of Mississippi Baptists, if 25 per cent of the tithe were given through the Cooperative Program, our budget, as well as the budget of every department of our work, would be multiplied by five. Cooperative Program receipts have increased annually for the past ten years from \$103,920.72 in 1939 to \$726,190.28 in 1948, or about 500 per cent. Our Training Union budget, because of the increased co-operative giving for 1948, was an increase of 143 per cent over the 1939 budget. Yes, the Cooperative Program has proved to be the most practical way of financing our great denominational program, which is Christ's program, of which Training Union is a very definite part. BR-

YOUTH SPEAKS (\$1.50), COMPILED by Charles Wellborn and published by the Broadman Press, is a collection of Youth Revival Sermons written by young preachers. These sermons have been gloriously used in reaching young people for Christ, several of them having been delivered to crowds as large as ten thousand in the great citywide Youth Revivals which began in Waco last year. Such sermons are included as: What Will You Do with Jesus,? What's Your Excuse,? I Dare You, The Road Back, and The Blood of Christ. Orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store.

THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST 1949
Southern Baptist Handbook was released
this week by Baptist book stores. It
contains many new studies of Southern
Baptist church life, and the complete
1948 Survey Bulletin, with a cross index. The price is \$1.50.

The Cooperative Program And Christian Education

By M. P. L. BERRY

Mississippi College and the Cooperative Program:

Mississippi College received during last convention year approximately as much through the Cooperative Program as was received from the investment of the \$800,000 Endewment fund.

Mississippi Baptists put into Christian Education in their four colleges during last year through the Cooperative Program the equivalent of the interest at 3 per cent of an endowment fund of five and a half million dollars. The amounts received by the Colleges were:

Total _____\$170,576.32

State colleges are supported by taxation, but denominational colleges must depend on gifts or interest on invested funds (Endowment) or both. Tuition paid by students amounts to only about half of the cost of instruction, therefore this support is essential in order to keep expenses in denominational colleges from being excessive.

Without the financial support of Mississippi Baptists, Mississippi College would not be functioning today as one of the greatest assets of the denomination. Every building on the campus, every penny of endowment, and all the equipment, have been acquired since the Baptists gained possession of the property 99 years ago. True, other agencies and other denominations have helped, and this help has been fully appreciated, but every item on the campus has been acquired under Baptist leadership.

The plant and endowment and other assets of the college are now valued at nearly three million dollars and should double that amount in the next few years. Graduate work in Mississippi College is not far off.

This much for what has been received. What has the college given? First, it has given Christian training to multiplied thousands of young men and young women. Missionaries, home and foreign, have had their training here. Preachers by the hundred each year are products of Mississippi College. Among other leaders are Governors, U. S. Senators, Congressmen, Supreme Court Judges, Attorney Generals, State Superintendents of Education, College Presidents, Deans, Professors, Captains of Industry, great lawyers, doctors, and Christian leaders in all walks of life.

Mississippi College has exerted an influence for good, all out of proportion of the size of the school. Her influence reaches around the world. The sun never sets on the heads of Mississippi College men. Today that influence for good is greater than ever before. With an enrollment that now goes over the 1,000 mark a year, that influence is being carried to every nook and corner of Mississippi and into almost every state in the union. Nearly 200 ministerial students are carrying weekly messages to churches over a radius of 150 to 200 miles.

The B. S. U., through the Mission Band, is ministering to hospitals, jails, Old Ladies' Home, Old Mens' Home, and other organizations. One Mississippi College student was sent to Hawaii to do missionary work last summer by the B. S. U. of the State. Another Mississippi College student has already been selected and has accepted the work as a missionary for the summer. The Choral Choir is giving its message in song to congregations from one end of the state to the other and to multitudes over the radio.

The influence of Mississippi College goes on in every increasing power from year to year and it is the hope and prayer of the President and faculty that the investment in Mississippi College is paying dividends and that every dollar and every effort put into the upbuilding of Mississippi College will be an investment for the Lord that will yield 1,000 fold.

June 26-Special Co-operative Program Offering Day

The Cooperative Program And Institutional Visitation

By REV. J. B. PARKER

In Matthew 25:40, Jesus says, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." In this same chapter we find these words, "I was sick and in prison, and ye visited me not," and we have people by the hundreds who are sick physically and spiritually and in prison, and they need our visits and our prayers. This work is a part of the Cooperative Program.

The Department of Institutional Visitation works with our Baptist Hospital, St. Dominic's Hospital in Jackson, the Veterans Hospital, the Charity Hospital, the hospitals at Whitfield and at Parchman, also the hospitals in Vicksburg. Efforts are being made to organize the churches wherever a hospital is located for a definite plan of hospital visitation. This department finds around 7500 people in the hospitals visited. There

are many lost souls, and it has been the privilege of this department to lead many to Christ every year. This is the Cooperative Program at work with the sick and needy.

Not only does this department visit the patients and read God's word and pray with them, but it distributes hundreds of tracts each month and hundreds of Baptists Records along with the Gospel of John. All this is paid for through the Cooperative Program.

The budget for the Institutional Visitation Department for this year is \$5,250. This includes the secretary's salary, his traveling expenses, his office expenses at the Baptist Building, and a part-time secretary.

It is the earnest prayer of this department that every Mississippi Baptist will give through the Cooperative Program their tithes and offerings whereby the cause of Christ can be reached around the world.

Ralph Marshall Licensed



RALPH MARSHALL, JR.

Ralph Marshall, Jr., was licensed to preach by the Hardy Church on March 27.

He is a graduate of Clarke College and a 1949 graduate of Mississippi College. He will enter the New Orleans Seminary in the fall.

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BACH SOCIETY ELECTS OFFICERS FOR 1949-50

At a recent meeting of the BACH SOCIETY of Miss. College the following officers were elected to serve during the 1949-50 school session.

President, Betty Jean Robinson, Pascagoula; 1st Vice-President, Helen Prey, McComb; 2nd Vice-President. Frank Maxwell, Memphis, Tenn.; Secretary, Voncile Lofton, Brookhaven; Treasurer, Major McDaniel, Clinton.

Program and Publicity Committee: Gwendolyn Compere, Florence (chairman); Barton Purcell, Belzoni; Francis Young, Sardis; and Leslie Reeves, Brookhaven.

Entertainment Committee: Joy Day, Brookhaven (chairman); June Richardson, French Camp, and Jane Mc-Daniel, Clinton.

The express purpose of this club, which is affiliated with the national music organization, is to foster on the Mississippi College campus an appreciation for Bach and his music.

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DR. PARRISH TO PREACH IN MACON MEETING

Dr. James W. Parrish will do the preaching in the meeting at Macon beginning June 1 and continuing for ten days.

Glenn Merrill and Miss June Richardson will lead in the singing and in Youth Work. This will be the second meeting with the Macon Church for Dr. Parrish.

The pastor and people of the church and of the entire community look forward to the fellowship with this great pastor and preacher, and with these fine young people from Mississippi College.

-BR 20 Added In Forty-First Ave., Meridian, Revival

Forty-first Avenue Church, Meridian held a revival May 8-15. The pastor, Rev. Tom L. Pfeifer, did the preaching and Wallace Merrill, Choir Director, had charge of the revival

There were twenty additions to the church and one young lady dedicated her life to full-time Christian service.

Ninety-Seven Added In Lucedale Revival

Judged from any standpoint-the number of additions to the church; the number of people saved; the large crowds attending the services; the impact upon the life of the Church and Community; the number of Christians praying and witnessing for Christ; the evidence of the Holy Spirit's presence and power in the services; or the powerful preaching of the gospel-the Lucedale Baptist church recently experienced the greatest revival in its history, according to Dr. Fred B. Mosely, pastor.

Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., pastor of the Main Street Church of Hattiesburg, was the Evangelist for the meeting and Rev. George M. Moseley, Minister of Music and Education of meeting.

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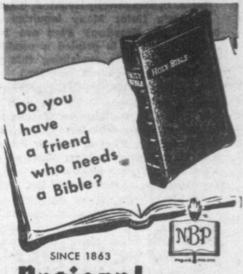
Jackson, Miss.

the First Church of Crystal Springs. led the singing.

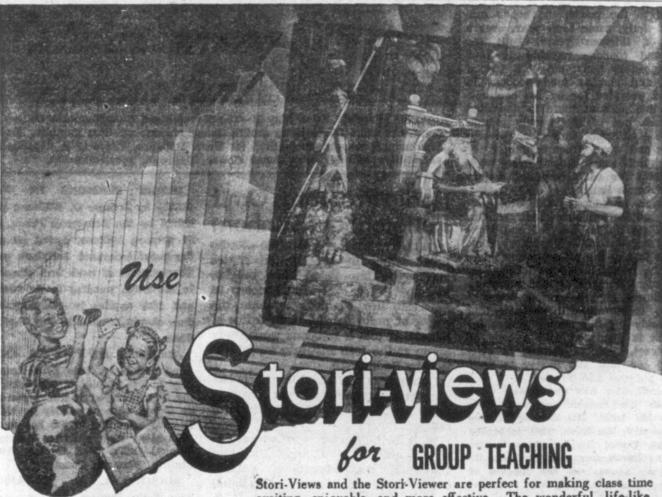
The large crowds that attended the evening services overflowed the new auditorium so that many had to stand in the vestibule.

The Sunday School set a new record attendance of 481 during the meeting.

One-third of the prospects for church membership as revealed by a recent survey of the community united with the church during the meeting. The total number of additions was 97 with 45 of this number coming for baptism. Those who united with the church were from 61 different families. There were 16 families in which both husband and wife united with the church during the



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The Broadway Plan Told

By J. S. Bracewell, Houston, Texas (Editor's Note: Many inquiries concerning the Broadway Plan are being received. Below is printed a condensation of an article explaining this plan of financing a church building.)

Take your church's average weekly income and divide it by six and that will give you the number of thousands of dollars you may safely borrow under the Broadway Plan of Church Finance. Add to this your building fund, or subtract from it your indebtedness and the result will be approximately the amount available.

The Broadway Plan of Church Finance is a cooperative way of financing the building of a church by those directly interested in it.

To get a clearer picture of what it is: You have many notes of different sizes, and get the money from a lot of people who have a little money. We call these notes bonds in most states.

They bear 5 per cent interest payable semi-annually, evidenced by coupons attached to the bonds, the bonds maturing serially, some each year, over a period of thirteen years, both the bonds and coupons payable at your local depository bank, out of a special interest and sinking fund account in the bank provided for by the contract, and in this account there is deposited each week out of the weekly church offerings a sufficient sum to pay everything as and when it comes due.

The church must deposit each week two dollars for each thousand dollars worth of bonds issued.

A church in adopting the Broadway Plan executes an agreement binding itself to set up an interest and sinking fund account at its depository bank sufficient to pay the principle and interest on the bonds issued as it accrues. A convenient number of men members of the church sign a written guaranty that the treasurer will perform this duty weekly as the money comes in. The bank is furnished with a copy of the contract, and, of course, is obligated to see that the money is used for such purpose and no other.

The bondholder has no further dealings with the church as such after he buys his bond. His dealings thereafter are with the bank. This is highly important. Under similar plans in the past the church has usually been its own paying agent, and the holders of the obligations were not only reluctant to ask the church for the money, but all too often the church officials hinted yea, even requested, that the obligations be donated back to the church, If we want to be reasonable about it, we might as well admit that no one could be expected and should not be asked to buy bonds which are payable in that manner.

Approximately seventy churches have used the plan. Over 10,000 bonds have been issued. The plan has been used over a period of twelve years. There has never been a default. There has never been a failure to make a deposit, except through inadvertence. Banks, bondholders and churches alike say that it has operated satisfactorily and with every appearance of obligations being gilt-edged.

As a general rule, it is not too easy to sell the bonds although some churches have been exceptionally fortunate and sold their bonds like "hot cakes." Generally the reverse is true. It takes hard work, prayer and patient effort. The experience of others is the best light we have to go by.

In every instance the church will be able to sell more of its bonds to its own members than it thought possible. The prerequisite of selling bonds in the membership, the same as to outsiders, is to convince them that the bonds are safe and sound and that they will get their money with interest when it is due and without any trouble. Having



Blue Mountain, Miss, May 31—The Mountaineer, Blue Mountain College yearbook, shows the girls pictured above in the feature section: (1) Margery Smith, Union, charm; (2) Cleo Tumblin, Laurens, S. C., friendliness; (3) Doris Dempsey, Waltham, Mass., intellectuality; (4) Hazel Rodgers, Yazoo City, dependability; (5) Norma Jean John, Jefferson City, Mo., versatility; and (6) Jean Jones Gower, Baldwyn, sportsmanship.

Radio Programs Omit ReligionSaysDunham

COLUMBUS, O.—(RNS)—Radio broadcasting in the United States leaves the impression that religion has no vital or universal concern in American life, Franklin Dunham, director of radio for the U.S. Office of Education told a religious work-study group at the 18th Institute for Education by Radio here.

Dunham said that while the public was religious-minded, the average radio program omitted all mention of

W. S. Bell, director of an educational FM station in Atlanta, Ga., told the group that educational stations could introduce religious educational programs without defying the U. S. Supreme Court decision or the principle of separation of Church and State.

He added that the radio broadcaster might be able to help the Church by halting the decline in Sunday School enrollment. This could be done, he said, by presenting programs which would substitute for the Sunday school lesson.

John W. Bachman, director of ra-

done this they will not only buy to the limit themselves, but they will transmit that conviction to others, their relatives and friends, and thereby dispose of other bonds. The people who furnish the material on the building are likely to become interested and agree to cooperate by buying a few bonds or take bonds in part payment. The same may be said about the painter, plumber, the electrician, and even the workmen on the job. Beyond this, businessmen are likely to become interested and, again when convinced that it is a sound investment, will cooperate by buying bonds.

Any church can solve its problems under the Broadway Plan of Church Finance if its members will have faith and a will to work. Some of them have started from "scratch" and within five years had buildings of from 15,000 to 20,000 square feet of floor space.

HEART SERMONS IN OUTLINE (\$1.75) by Jerome O. Williams and published by the Broadman Press, includes 57 sermon outlines, based on some of the most treasured Scripture passages. The analysis of each text clings closely to the Bible wording in its own setting and also applies to everyday life. Orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store.

ALCOHOL AFFECTS ANYONE'S mind and body. This drink brings poverty to the people. Strong drink is raging. It makes you do things you wouldn't do if you were not under its influences. It causes trouble in the homes such as separation and children leaving their homes.—Bobby Nell Taylor, Bethlehem Church, Simpson County.

BOCHESTER, N. Y.—(RNS)—WILbour Eddy Sanders, former headmaster of the Peddie School of Highstown, N. J., and former executive secretary of the Federation of Churches of Rochester, officially became the fourth president of Colgate-Rochester Divinity School in inaugural ceremonies at the school.

dio at Baylor University, Waco, Texas, made a report on a survey conducted by Baylor touching on Sunday morning listening to church service broadcasts.

The survey showed, he said, that the number of listeners compared favorably with the audience response to some of the high quality network programs. Half of the people listening to church services via radio, he added, had very little or no connection with the church.

Miss Ola Hiller, director of radio for Pontiac, Mich., schools, described a poll she had taken of 26 high school students on the subject of religious broadcasting.

Her results indicated, she said, that youngsters want the church to promote neighborliness and want religious leaders to deal more practically with family and personal problems via radio.

MRS. W. G. RASBERRY

On Saturday morning, April 30, at 4:30 o'clock, into eternal peace and light passed the sweet gentle soul of Virgie Knight Rasberry.

WHEREAS, the suddenness of her death spread grief and deep sadness over our entire community and made us realize that we see not as God sees, nor is our way His way, and

WHEREAS, she was a lifelong member of Soso Baptist Church, serving several years as church clerk; a devoted Bible student; a member of the Dutch Knight Circle of the W. M. S. named for her mother; faithful at Sunday School, prayer meeting and B. T. U., and

WHEREAS, she was one of the leaders in organizing the Union Line Cemetery Association which country cemetery is now outstanding in its beauty and a worthy memorial to her untiring efforts—now her last resting place, and

WHEREAS, she was active in P. T. A., Order of the Eastern Star, and all other forces for good in the community, a worthy guide for young people and counsellor for the discouraged, and

WHEREAS, her devotion to husband, daughter, relatives and friends was unsurpassed, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED: First, that we express to her family our deepest sympathy in her passing and commend them to the comfort of the Holy Spirit, and pray that God will fill her place with His love:

RESOLVED, Second, that this resolution be inserted in the minutes of the Woman's Missionary Society, the records of the Soso Baptist Church, a Copy be sent to her family, and also published in the Baptist Record.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. HIRAM JEFCOAT MRS. GIBSON WADE MRS. J. W. MOSS

Others, Lord, yes, others, Let this our motto be, That while we live for others We also live for Thee.

DR. THURMAN D. KITCHIN HAS announced his plans to retire as president of Wake Forest College on June 30, 1960.